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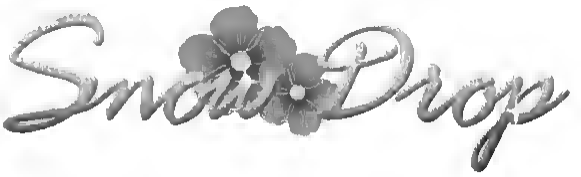

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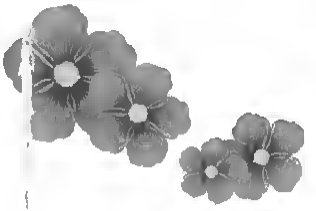
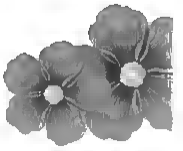
As Hae-Gi and So-Na's love continues to bloom, another ray of hope shines on Hae-Gi's life when his mother returns from her recent operation. However, not everything is coming up roses: Hae-Gi is blacklisted in the modeling industry and So-Na tries to fight off an arranged engagement! Meanwhile, Charles and ever-jealous Sun-Mi team up to crush the flowers of romance and get what they're both after -- Hae-Gi!





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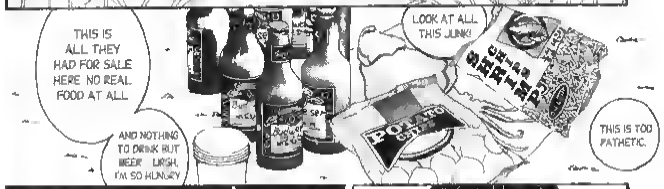
It's been 3 hours 20 minutes (and 57 seconds) since they got to the haunted mansion
HMM. WAS THAT A WOLF?
THIS IS EXACTLY WHY I HATE YOU, SO-NA!!
BLAH BLAH BLAH
HOW CAN YOU BE SO CALM? AREN'T YOU SCARED? AREN'T YOU HUNGRY? WE DIDN'T EVEN EAT!
YOU'RE SO RUDE! AFTER I LENT YOU PAJAMAS AND MY TOOTHBRUSH, TOO!
IF YOU HATE IT HERE SO MUCH, THEN JUST LEAVE! THERE'S THE DOOR!
YOU LEAVE!!

OH SO-NA, I WAS JUST KIDDING!! YOU KNOW I WAS
AAAHH!
I DON'T UNDERSTAND HAE-GI THERE'S SO MANY COOL PLACES WE COULD HAVE GONE.
WELL.. AT LEAST WE KNOW WHAT HE THINKS OF YOU, SO-NA..
He dragged us all here for their stupid contest to see who can stay in the haunted room
For this I have to share a room with my enemy Sun-Mi? And Ha-Da and Ko-Mo have to share a room after what happened Is he serious? And what's this "the loser is the winners slave"?
What exactly is the point?!
This is really pissing me off.
CALM DOWN! IT'S ME.
AAAH!!
WE'RE HAVING A PARTY! THERE'S NO REASON TO WASTE OUR YOUTHFUL YEARS SLEEPING! C'MON!
Damn it She's so stupid but once in a while...
I MEAN, IF HE RESPECTED YOU AT ALL.. WOULDN'T HE HAVE AT LEAST DISCUSSED THIS WITH YOU? BUT NO HE JUST DOES WHATEVER HE WANTS.
..she gets it right.
He didn't tell me anything.

Looks more like a seance than a party


THIS IS ALL THEY HAD FOR SALE HERE. NO REAL FOOD AT ALL.
AND NOTHING TO DRINK BUT BEER. UGH, I'M SO HUNGRY.
LOOK AT ALL THIS JUNK!
THIS IS TOO PATHETIC.

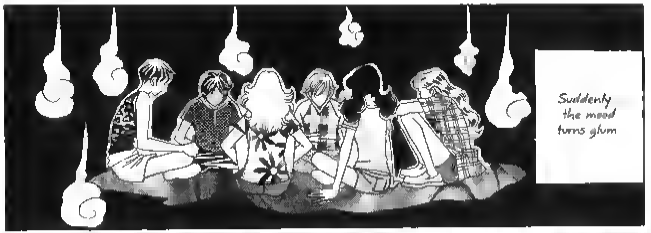
Damn. I'm just gonna drink 'til I fall asleep.

HAE-GI WHAT'S UP WITH YOU TWO? YOU LOOK SO SERIOUS. DID ANYTHING HAPPEN?

NOTHING MUCH. WE JUST SAW THE GHOST
YEAH. SOME CREEPY DEAD CHICK.

ARE YOU SURE IT WASN'T WISHFUL THINKING?
HA HA. IF YOU SEE HER AGAIN, TELL HER I SAID HI!
YEAH WHY DIDN'T YOU INVITE HER TO OUR PARTY?

HEY YOU GUYS DON'T HAVE TO BELIEVE US. THE GAME IS JUST BETWEEN US ANYWAY BUT
...DON'T BE SURPRISED IF SHE VISITS YOU NEXT!! YOU'LL RECOGNIZE HER...
SHE WAS WHITE AS SNOW... WITH BLOOD RUNNING DOWN HER FACE!


Suddenly the mood turns glum

DAMN.

I can't believe I have to see now!! No way am I asking Sun-Mi to come with me But I don't want to go alone!
Maybe I can hold it?

HEY SO-NA, WANT TO COME WITH ME TO LOOK FOR FOOD? THIS ISN'T ENOUGH. WE'LL ALL STILL BE HUNGRY.
I'M PRETTY SURE I SAW A GROCERY STORE NEAR HERE
Did he realize that I needed to... take a walk?

Perfect! I'll just run up to the room while he's gone.
Heheh

HA!
What a bunch of fools. None of them have any idea what's really going on here...
THIS IS TOO WEIRD
I HATE IT HERE!
Good thing Hae-Gi agreed to my plan. So-Na would have never come without him...

HAE-GI, LET'S HAVE THIS OUT ONCE AND FOR ALL! A HEAD-TO-HEAD COMPETITION... AND MAY THE BEST MAN WIN!

If I lose – I'll call off the engagement. I'll give up on So-Na. You can even plan the trip...
All right.

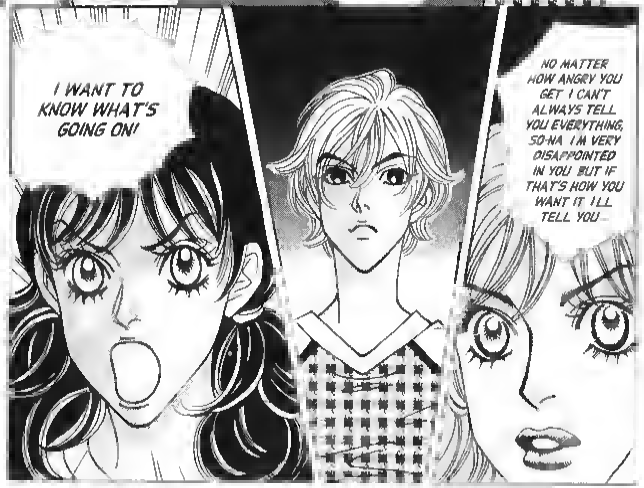
This trip will be the end of you two...
DID YOU REALLY SEE A GHOST?
I DON'T KNOW BUT SOMEONE WAS OUTSIDE THE WINDOW
OUR ROOM IS ON THE 2ND FLOOR AND WE DON'T HAVE A BALCONY
HOW CAN YOU JOKE AROUND? THIS PLACE IS CREEPY!!
SO IF IT WAS A REAL PERSON, SHE WOULD NEED TO HAVE AWFULLY LONG LEGS, WOULDN'T SHE? I'D LIKE TO SEE WHAT THAT LOOKED LIKE!!
YEAH, I KNOW A FRIEND TOLD ME ABOUT THIS PLACE BUT IT'S PRETTY SLEAK, ISN'T IT? I'M SORRY

WHAT? SOMEONE TOLD YOU ABOUT IT?
YOU MEAN YOU DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THIS PLACE, AND YOU DRAGGED US ALL HERE ANYWAY? IT'S MORE THAN JUST "BLEAK," HAE-GI! I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU DID THIS WITHOUT EVEN TALKING TO ME!
WELL, IT ALL--
THIS IS STUPID!
MOST OF US CAN'T STAND EACH OTHER, AND YOU THOUGHT THIS TRIP WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA? WHAT KIND OF BET DO YOU HAVE WITH HWI-RIM THAT YOU FULLED SOMETHING LIKE THIS?
WELL? YOU MUST HAVE SOME REASON! WHAT IS IT?

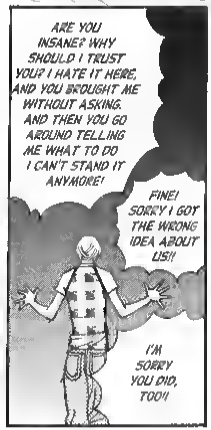
But you'll have to keep our deal a secret, Hwa Gi
WELL?
IT'S NO BIG DEAL. JUST A LITTLE CONTEST WE'RE HAVING...
NO BIG DEAL?
THEN WHY DID YOU GUYS HAVE TO DRAG US ALL OUT HERE WITH YOU?
THERE MUST BE MORE TO IT THAN THAT!
CALM DOWN, SO-NA
The truth is Hwi Rim wants to break up with me in front of you
DON'T PATRONIZE ME!!

NOT WHEN YOU DON'T TRUST ME ENOUGH TO TELL ME WHAT'S GOING ON!
WHY ARE YOU GETTING SO UPTIGHT? CAN'T YOU JUST TRUST ME?
DON'T THINK THAT YOU CAN JUST DO WHATEVER YOU WANT JUST BECAUSE OF HOW I FEEL ABOUT YOU! I AM NOT SOME MINDLESS ROBOT GIRL WHO WILL JUST GO ALONG WITH EVERYTHING.
THIS IS YOUR LAST CHANCE. TELL ME THE TRUTH! YOU TWO HAVE SOME BET ABOUT ME, DON'T YOU?
MY LAST CHANCE?

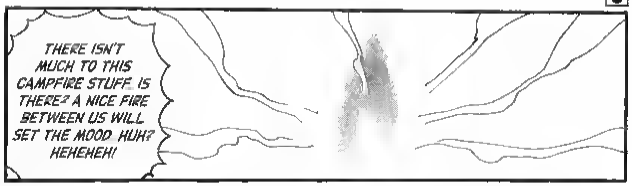
YEAH! NOW, ANSWER ME!
ARE YOU KIDDING ME? MY LAST CHANCE?
ARE YOU SERIOUSLY SAYING THAT IF I DON'T TELL YOU, YOU'LL BREAK UP WITH ME? DON'T YOU HAVE ANY FAITH IN ME AT ALL?


I WANT TO KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON!
NO MATTER HOW ANGRY YOU GET I CAN'T ALWAYS TELL YOU EVERYTHING, SO-NA. I'M VERY DISAPPOINTED IN YOU. BUT IF THAT'S HOW YOU WANT IT I'LL TELL YOU.

I THINK THAT I DID THINGS THIS WAY BECAUSE I BELIEVED THAT WE REALLY TRUSTED EACH OTHER.


ARE YOU INSANE? WHY SHOULD I TRUST YOU? I HATE IT HERE, AND YOU BROUGHT ME WITHOUT ASKING. AND THEN YOU GO AROUND TELLING ME WHAT TO DO. I CAN'T STAND IT ANYMORE!
FINE! SORRY I GOT THE WRONG IDEA ABOUT US!!
I'M SORRY YOU DID, TOO!

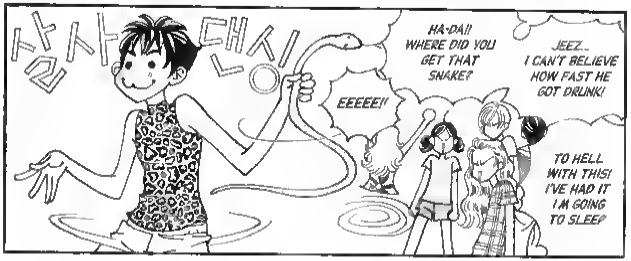
What's wrong with me? I really let Sun-Mi's nasty comments get to me, didn't I...
Hae-Gi You really did this because you thought we trusted each other that much?
Trust...
Do I trust you?
Is that how much you trust me?
With a kind of trust that will make me follow you without any doubts?


THERE ISN'T MUCH TO THIS CAMPFIRE STUFF. IS THERE? A NICE FIRE BETWEEN US WILL SET THE MOOD. HUH? HEHEHEH!

WOULD YOU QUIT IT ALREADY? THE SMOKE IS KILLING ME!
I HOPE YOU SET YOUR OWN HAIR ON FIRE, YOU MORON!
NOW NOW LET'S NOT BE NASTY. MAYBE YOU NEED SOME CAMPFIRE SONGS TO CHEER YOURSELVES UP

ARE YOU KIDDING ME? WHAT ARE WE, GIRL SCOUTS?

SCOFF AWAY! I'M JANG HA-DA, THE MOOD MAKER! I'LL LIFT YOUR SPIRITS WHETHER YOU LIKE IT OR NOT!
DON'T UNDER-ESTIMATE ME.


EEEEEE!!
HA-DA!! WHERE DID YOU GET THAT SNAKE?
JEEZ... I CAN'T BELIEVE HOW FAST HE GOT DRUNK!
TO HELL WITH THIS! I'VE HAD IT. I'M GOING TO SLEEP

SUN-MI.. HE'S IN THE SHOWER SO JUST SLIP IN QUIETLY AND GET UNDER THE COVERS
GO FOR IT!!
When this is all over I don't ever want to see this idiot again..
THANKS!! SO-NA'S FAST ASLEEP THE ALCOHOL MUST HAVE KNOCKED HER OUT EVEN SO YOU OUGHT TO PUT TAPE OVER HER MOUTH BEFORE YOU DO IT TO HER! YOU KNOW LIKE IN THE MOVIES? HEE HEE!
SIN!..

I'M A MAN, A REAL MAN, LIKE SUPERMAN, OR ULTRAMAN..

DIDN'T I TELL YOU I COULD HAVE YOU ANY TIME I WANTED?

DON'T FIGHT IT, SO-NA, DON'T RESIST! AND DON'T THINK OF CALLING HAE-GI
No!! This can't be happening!!

HE'S WITH SUN-MI NOW
OH YOU WANT TO SCREAM ANYWAY?
GO AHEAD! THE DOOR IS LOCKED AND EVEN IF HAE G! COULD GET IN HERE, DON'T YOU THINK HE'D BE APPALLED TO SEE YOU LIKE THIS?
DON'T THINK YOU CAN ESCAPE THIS TIME, SO-NA!!
GET OFF OF ME, YOU BASTARD!!
DO YOU THINK YOU CAN SHAME ME INTO MARRYING YOU? DON'T BE A FOOL!
YOU'RE JUST MAKING ME HATE YOU MORE AND MORE
OH, RELAX! STOP ACTING LIKE A SCARED LITTLE VIRGIN..

AHA! SO I AM YOUR FIRST.
I don't believe this! Is he really going to do this? He can't be serious! Why is this happening to me? I wish I'd never been born!!
If I scream will Hae G! even come after we fought like that? And if he does break down the door

Will he even believe me? I feel so helpless
SO-NA, YOU WILL BE MINE!
Does hae-Gi really believe in me?
Will he help me if I scream?

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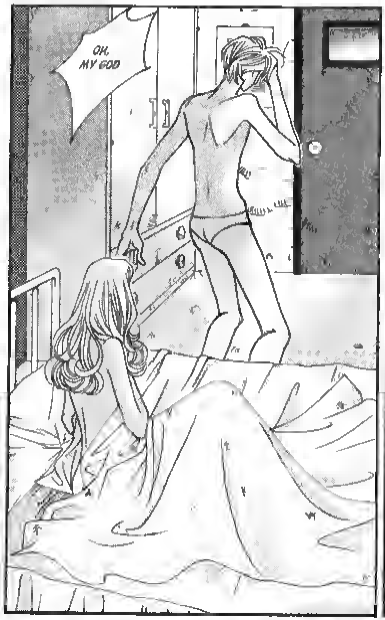
HAE-GI?
I REALLY, REALLY LIKE


OH, MY GOD

GET YOUR CLOTHES ON!!

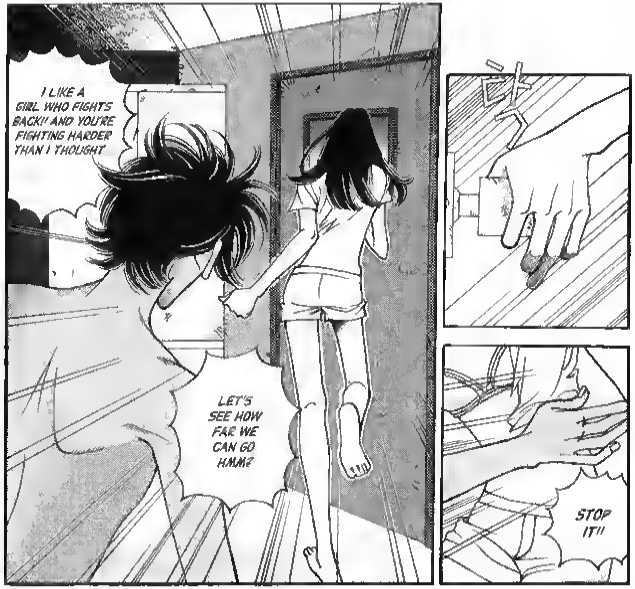
WHERE'S HWI-RIM?
WHERE DO YOU THINK HE IS?

I'LL NEVER BE YOURS, HWI-RIM!
EVEN IF YOU TRY TO FORCE ME!
NO ENGAGEMENT, NO MARRIAGE... AND NOTHING FROM ME!!

ALL THIS RESISTANCE IS JUST TURNING ME ON, SO-NA!! YOU KNOW YOU WANT IT...
AND THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO TO STOP ME! THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO BUT CRY AND SCREAM...
NO! YOU'RE NOT EVEN WORTH IT!
FEISTY LITTLE BITCH..

ACT TOUGH, LITTLE GIRL. YOU'RE NO MATCH FOR ME!!
I can't let this happen! Somehow
STOP!!

YOU...!!
AAGH!!


I LIKE A GIRL WHO FIGHTS BACK!! AND YOU'RE FIGHTING HARDER THAN I THOUGHT
LET'S SEE HOW FAR WE CAN GO HMM?

STOP IT!!

BLOOD...
...AND VIOLENCE.. ARE NOTHING NEW TO ME!
HELP!! LET ME GO!!

NOW I'M REALLY HAVING FUN, SO-NA...
He's really serious! He's going to do this!!
The true psycho

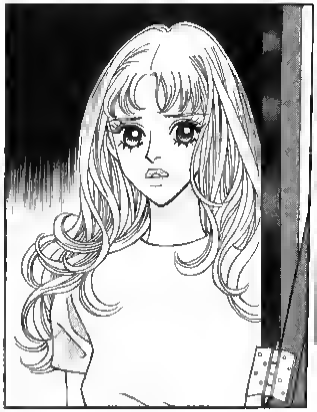
HAE-GI?
YOU'RE DEAD, HWI-RIM!!

I'M GOING TO KILL YOU, YOU PIECE OF HUMAN GARBAGE!
DON'T TRY AND STOP ME, HAE GI! OR YOU'LL BE SORRY!!

HAE-GI?!
STOP IT!!
YOU'RE REALLY GOING TO KILL HIM! STOP!!

!?
HAE-GI!!
HEY!
HA-DA!!

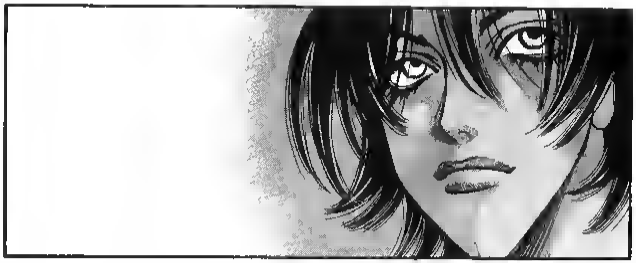
STOP IT, HAE-GI! DO YOU REALLY WANT TO KILL HIM?
HAE-GI!!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?



YOU'VE GOT SOME NERVE, LAYING YOUR HANDS ON ME!

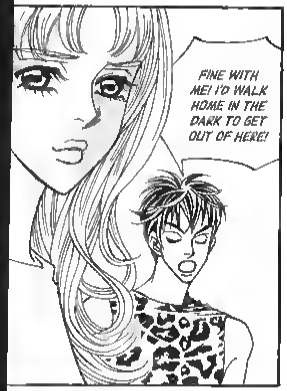
YOU LIKE LIVING DANGEROUSLY DON'T YOU...?
HWI-RIM!

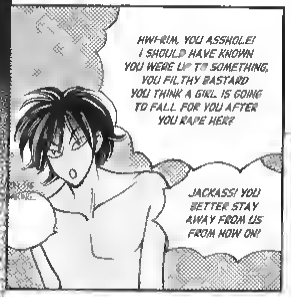
HOW CRAZY ARE YOU?
NO MATTER HOW IMPORTANT YOUR FAMILY IS, YOU CAN'T JUST DO ANYTHING YOU WANT! ESPECIALLY THROUGH FORCE! THERE'S A LIMIT! AREN'T YOU ASHAMED OF YOURSELF?



I'LL BE ASHAMED
UNTIL THE DAY I CAN'T BEAT HIM BLOODY!

I'LL SEE YOU AT THE ENGAGEMENT PARTY
What?
LET'S GO HOME.
I CAN'T STAND TO BE AROUND THESE TWO FOR EVEN ONE MORE SECOND


FINE WITH ME! I'D WALK HOME IN THE DARK TO GET OUT OF HERE!

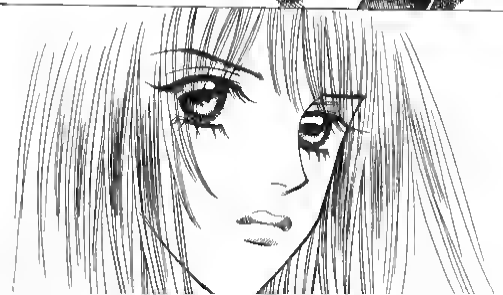

HWI-RIM, YOU ASSHOLE! I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN YOU WERE UP TO SOMETHING, YOU FILTHY BASTARD YOU THINK A GIRL IS GOING TO FALL FOR YOU AFTER YOU RAPE HER?
JACKASS! YOU BETTER STAY AWAY FROM US FROM NOW ON!

...BUT WE NEVER FOUND OUT... ARE THERE REALLY GHOSTS HERE?
DAMN IT. HA-DA, WHO CARES?

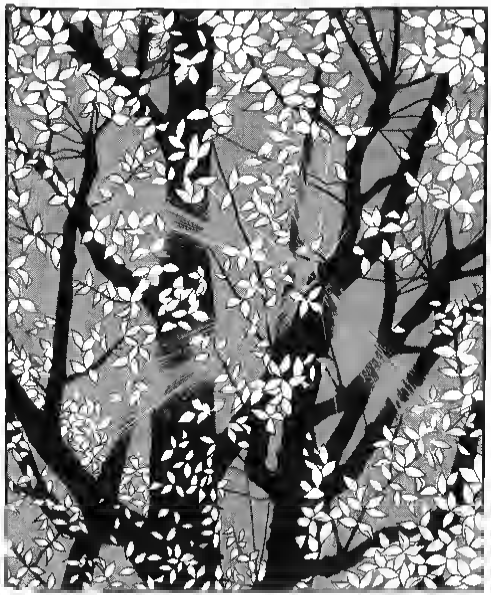
I can't handle this. I feel so sick... and I'm supposed to be getting engaged to that psycho? What did I do to deserve this life?

I don't know what to do. I feel faint, and nauseous. I can't think straight... what am I going to do about this?
Maybe I should just tell him...

SO-NA?
I LOVE YOU.

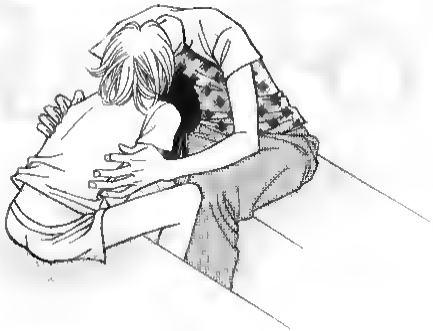


DID
YOU HEAR
ME? I SAID
I LOVE
YOU

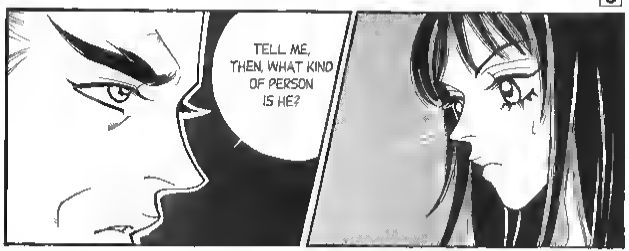


I don't know how long we sat there holding each other

and crying



WHAT DID YOU SAY?!
I WON'T MARRY HWI-RIM! I DON'T CARE WHAT YOU SAY, I WON'T DO IT!
WHY THE FUSS? YOU'RE JUST NERVOUS
YOU HAVE NO IDEA WHAT KIND OF PERSON HE REALLY IS, FATHER!


TELL ME, THEN, WHAT KIND OF PERSON IS HE?

HE'S COMPLETELY SCHIZO! HE ACTS LIKE SOME MODEL STUDENT IN FRONT OF YOU AND OTHER GROWN-UP'S, BUT THE REST OF THE TIME HE'S A DISGUSTING, PERVERTED CREEP?! I'VE NEVER MET ANYONE AS HORRIBLE AS HIM!
THE THINGS HE DOES – I CAN'T EVEN TELL YOU! HE'S A TOTALLY UNBALANCED PSYCHO!!

REALLY, SO-NA, COULD AN "UNBALANCED PSYCHO" BE NUMBER ONE IN HIS CLASS?

He's number one in his class?
How'd that scumbag manage that?
WHY NOT? JUST BECAUSE HE KNOWS HOW TO STUDY AND TAKE TESTS THAT DOESN'T MEAN HE'S ALL RIGHT!! THERE'S MORE TO PEOPLE THAN THEIR CLASS RANKINGS, YOU KNOW!
SO-NA, NO-ONE IN THIS WORLD IS 100 PERCENT PERFECT
BUT HWI-RIM IS A TOP STUDENT A MEMBER OF THE KWON FAMILY... AND DESTINED FOR GREAT THINGS THAT MAKES HIM 90 PERCENT PERFECT IN MY EYES.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT!
I WILL NEVER MARRY HIM!!

SO-NA, YOU MUST FOR ME
?
YOU'RE NOT A CHILD SO I'LL TELL YOU THE TRUTH MY PARTY'S FUNDS ARE NOT DOING SO WELL...
I DESPERATELY NEED PRESIDENT KWON'S SUPPORT AND DONATIONS
IF WE DON'T GET IT OUR POLITICAL PARTY IS GOING TO RUN INTO SERIOUS TROUBLE. AND I MAY LOSE MY POSITION

MY CAREER, AND THE LIFE OF OUR PARTY... DEPEND ON YOU SO I'M ASKING YOU PLEASE...
MARRY KWON HWI-RIM!
NO!

THAT'S IT GO TO YOUR ROOM.
WHAT?!
Beep
SECURITY COME IN PLEASE
YOUR CAREER IS IMPORTANT BUT SO IS MY LIFE!! YOU CAN'T ASK ME TO DO THIS!
I'M NOT LIKE YOU! I DON'T NEED POWER OR MONEY OR ANYTHING!
BE QUIET YOU'RE YOUNG YOU HAVE NO IDEA WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT

YOU SAY YOU DON'T WANT THESE THINGS? YOU'RE THINKING WITH YOUR EMOTIONS, NOT WITH YOUR BRAIN! BE PRACTICAL!!
YOU LIVE IN THE REAL WORLD AND YOU HAVE TO GROW UP AND DEAL WITH IT NOW!
THIS IS HOW THE WORLD WORKS! WHETHER YOU LIKE IT OR NOT!!
TAKE HER TO HER ROOM! AND DON'T LET HER LEAVE IT UNTIL THE ENGAGEMENT PARTY!
EMOTIONS? WHO HAS THE PROBLEM WITH EMOTIONS HERE?
I DON'T THINK YOU EVEN HAVE ANY EMOTIONS!! NOT FOR ME, OR MOM!!
DID YOU AND MOM HAVE ME FOR PURELY PRACTICAL REASONS? DIDN'T YOU LOVE HER?!
YES AND I LOVE YOU, TOO. THAT'S WHY I'M TRYING TO GET YOU INTO A GOOD FAMILY!!

GET HER IN HER ROOM NOW!!
Augh!! There's no getting through to him!!
He loves me? And that's why he's selling me to help his political career?
He doesn't even care what kind of a boy he's marrying me off to!
Even if he believed me about Hwa Rim, he wouldn't change his mind!
And anyway...
WHO GETS OFFICIALLY ENGAGED AT MY AGE?
THIS IS SO STUPID!!
MY FATHER THINKS HE CAN JUST BEND THE WORLD TO HIS WILL, AND ME ALONG WITH IT!

THERE'S ONLY ONE THING THAT I CAN DO
I'll make sure he never tries to marry me off again
DID YOU NEED SOMETHING, MISS?
PLEASE GET MY BODYGUARD
I'M BORED I WANT TO PLAY CARDS WITH HIM.
I have to talk to Hae Gi

Part 23.
I'll Trust You With Everything

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WOWWW ~♡
HE'S BETTER-LOOKING EVERYTIME I SEE HIM! ~♡
GET A GRIP GIRLS!! ARE YOU READY TO GO?
PRETTY HOT. HINT IT? NOT MUCH FUN MODELING FUR IN THE SUMMER. HUH?
YOU CAN TAKE IT OFF NOW..
I'M DONE FOR TODAY RIGHT?

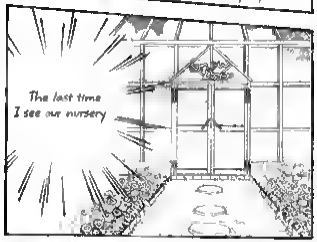
YES, YOU'RE ALL FINISHED! MR. GARNIER COMPLIMENTED YOU TODAY. HE'S IMPRESSED WITH HOW HARD YOU WORK.
HE'D LIKE TO TREAT YOU TO DINNER
HOW'S TONIGHT?
sof heavy
WHAT? YEAH, THAT'S RIGHT...
TODAY IS AUGUST THIRD, RIGHT?
YOUR SUMMER BREAK IS ALMOST OVER. THAT'S WHY I THOUGHT TONIGHT WOULD BE GOOD FOR THAT DINNER...
YOU KNOW MR. GARNIER HAS BIG PLANS FOR YOU!
WHAT?
SOME OTHER TIME. I HAVE SOMETHING TO DO TODAY
HAE-GI!
OOH, WAS COUNTING ON THAT DINNER TONIGHT
MISS SO-NA!! THIS IS TOO MUCH! SERIOUSLY!
Way too much...
Way way...

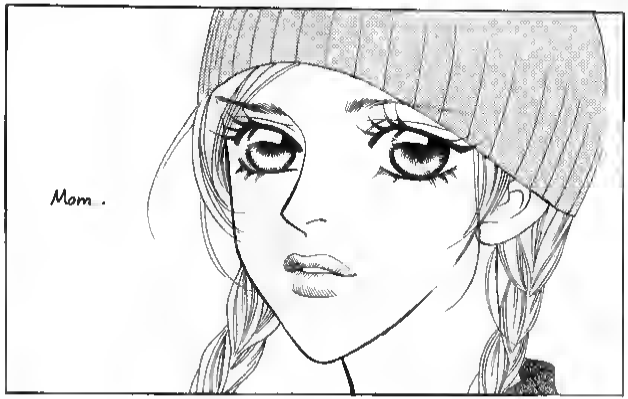
Bodyguard
...TOO MUCH! DISGUISING ME AS YOU, ASKING ME TO LEAD THE SECURITY GUARDS ON A WILD GOOSE CHASE SO YOU CAN SLIP AWAY... I CAN'T DO IT!! I WAS IN SPECIAL FORCES!!
IF I WASN'T SUCH A COWARD I COULD HAVE BECOME AN OPERATIVE FOR THE GOVERNMENT!
BUT THIS? DRESSING AS A GIRL?
SHUT UP! THEY'LL HEAR YOU!!
AAGH!!
DO YOU WANT TO JUST STAND BY AND WATCH ME DIE? THIS IS MY LAST REQUEST OF YOU. WE'VE BEEN TOGETHER EVERY DAY FOR SO LONG, DOESN'T THAT MEAN ANYTHING TO YOU?
I WON'T FORGET THIS KINDNESS!
Okay okay...
THANK YOU
NOW – OPEN THE DOOR AND THEN RUN LIKE HELL TOWARD THE GATE

I wonder what Se Na wants? She sounded pretty upset
I haven't seen her or spoken to her since that night I know she wouldn't marry him but
I'm getting nervous.
She told Hwi Rim she'd see him at the engagement party What's going on?
NO
COME BACK!!

MISS!! STOP!!
QUICK, AFTER HER!!
HA HA, IT'S WORKING!
STUPID GUARDS I CAN'T BELIEVE THEY WERE FOOLED SO EASILY..

JUST GOT TO GET OVER THE FENCE..
TOO BAD FATHER DOESN'T KNOW I'VE BEEN DOING THIS FOR YEARS
This could be the very last time I do this


The last time I see our nursery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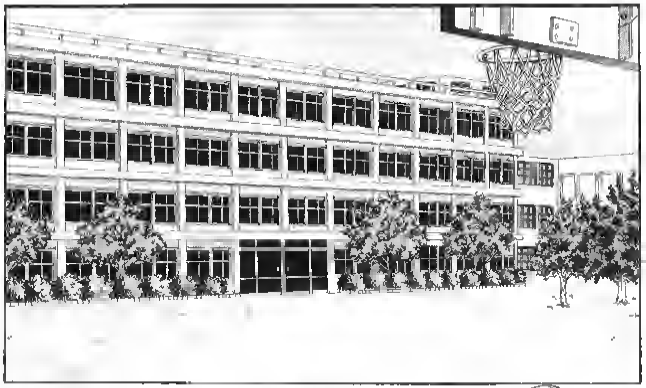
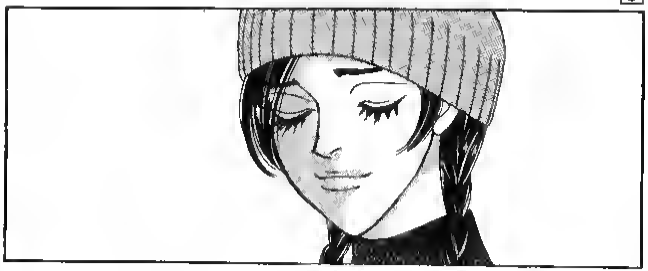


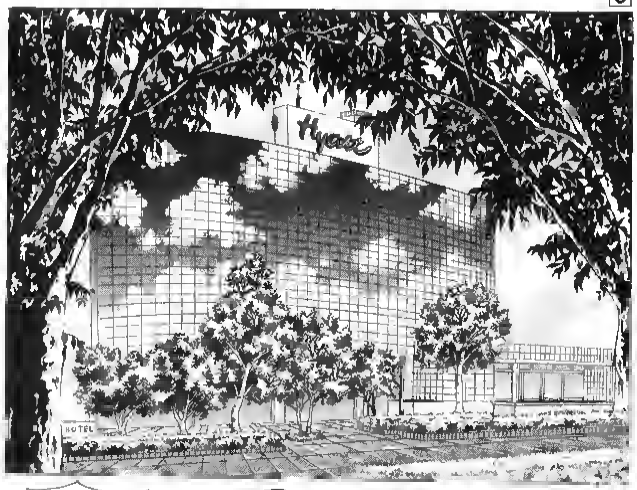
SO-NA!

WHAT'S GOING ON? WHY DID YOU WANT TO MEET HERE AT SCHOOL?
?
We were happy here...
I WANTED TO SEE IT ONE LAST TIME.
We didn't know we had so many enemies, or who they were
But, we also didn't know what love was
I...I HAVE TO RUN AWAY

IF I STAY I'LL BE ENGAGED AND SENT OFF TO SCHOOL WITH HWI-RIM. AND THAT WILL BE THAT
I WON'T LET HIM DO IT. I'M GOING TO MAKE HIM FORGET HE EVER HAD A DAUGHTER!
THERE'S NO STOPPING MY FATHER ONCE HIS MIND IS MADE UP



I don't need anything from my father...



I'M SO PROUD! I CAN'T BELIEVE MY GRANDSON IS GETTING ENGAGED ALREADY.
I ONLY MET SO-NA ONCE, BUT I'M THRILLED THAT SHE WILL BE JOINING OUR FAMILY.
HMPH
These idiots! All they care about is the deal they've made with the Yu family. They haven't even seen So Na, they don't know what she's like - or care. Do they still think she's really going to go through with this?
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Now we enter a new chapter

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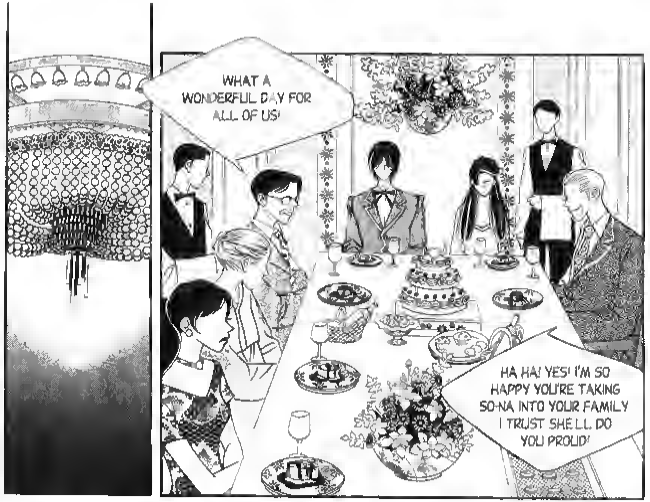
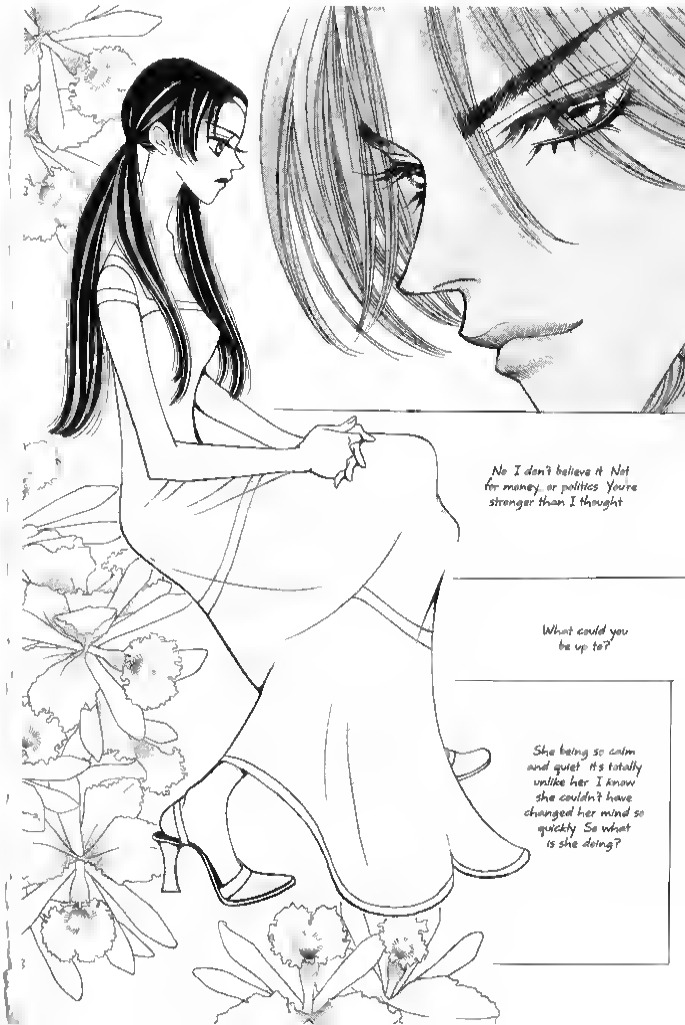
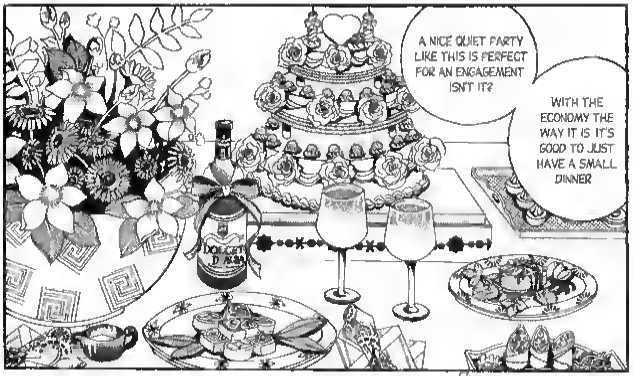
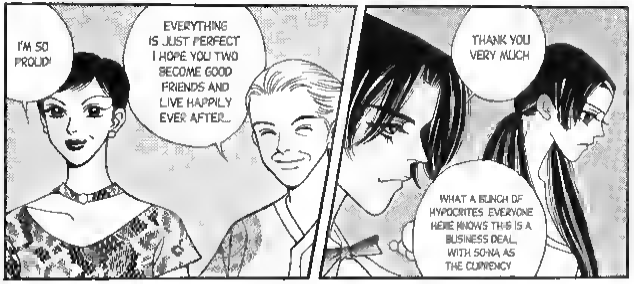

WHAT A WONDERFUL DAY FOR ALL OF US!
HA HA! YES! I'M SO HAPPY YOU'RE TAKING SO-NA INTO YOUR FAMILY. I TRUST SHE'LL DO YOU PROUD!

I'M SURE SHE WILL! I HEAR THAT SHE IS A VERY SMART AND CLEVER GIRL.
I can't believe she came to the engagement ceremony. What's going on? After what I did? So Na... does money come before honor for you, too?


No. I don't believe it. Not for money, or politics. You're stronger than I thought.
What could you be up to?
She being so calm and quiet. It's totally unlike her. I know she couldn't have changed her mind so quickly. So what is she doing?


A NICE QUIET PARTY LIKE THIS IS PERFECT FOR AN ENGAGEMENT ISN'T IT?
WITH THE ECONOMY THE WAY IT IS IT'S GOOD TO JUST HAVE A SMALL DINNER

PLEASE EXCHANGE THE RINGS OF BETROTHAL!


I'M SO PROUD!
EVERYTHING IS JUST PERFECT I HOPE YOU TWO BECOME GOOD FRIENDS AND LIVE HAPPILY EVER AFTER...
THANK YOU VERY MUCH
WHAT A BUNCH OF HYPOCRITES EVERYONE HERE KNOWS THIS IS A BUSINESS DEAL, WITH SONA AS THE CURRENCY

NO WE WON'T BECOME GOOD FRIENDS

WE WILL NOT GET MARRIED OR ENGAGED!

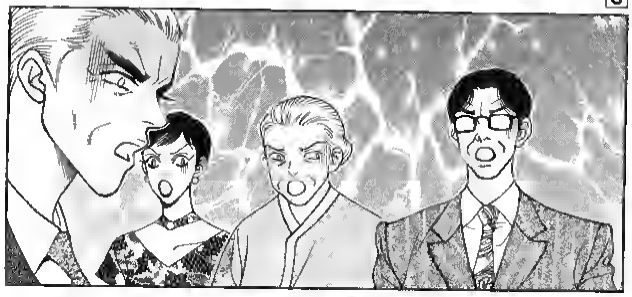
I DON'T WANT THIS ENGAGEMENT AND I DON'T LIKE HWI-RIM!
I WILL NOT MARRY HIM!!
STOP ACTING LIKE A FOOL! SIT DOWN AND STOP ACTING LIKE SUCH A --
I'M SORRY, FATHER!! BUT YOU ARE THE ONE WHO PUSHED THINGS THIS FAR!
I WAS STRAIGHT WITH YOU FROM DAY ONE! I WILL NOT BE FORCED AGAINST MY WILL, INTO MARRIAGE!

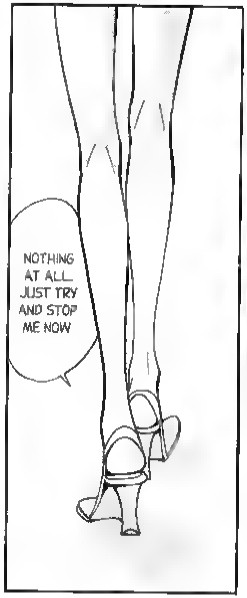
I ONLY CAME HERE TODAY TO MAKE MYSELF CLEAR TO ALL OF YOU!!
CONGRESSMAN YU, WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT?
MONEY AND POWER AREN'T IMPORTANT TO ME!!
I DON'T BELIEVE THAT WE NEED THEM TO LIVE HAPPILY...
YOU CAN'T CHANGE THE WAY I FEEL, NO MATTER WHAT YOU SAY!
THAT'S ENOUGH!
WE DON'T NEED A SERMON FROM A SPOILED BRAT LIKE YOU!! I'LL DEAL WITH YOU LATER!
I'M SORRY, PRESIDENT KWON. I'LL DEAL WITH HER, AND WE'LL... MEET AGAIN LATER.
NO! THERE WILL BE NO LATER!
FATHER! THIS IS WHO I AM! YOU CAN'T CHANGE ME INTO SOMETHING ELSE!

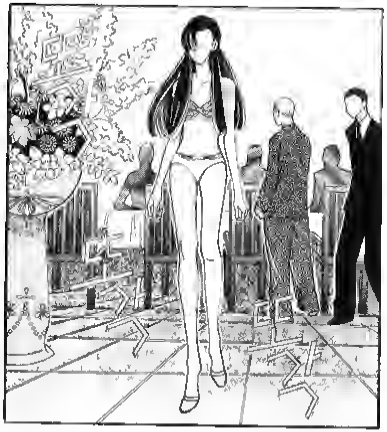
DIDN'T I TELL YOU TO SHUT UP?
AHHH!!
ALL RIGHT, SO-NA, SAY YOUR PIECE. WHAT DO YOU WANT?
OH...
I WANT YOU TO PROMISE ME THAT YOU WILL NEVER TRY TO FORCE ME TO DO ANYTHING LIKE THIS AGAIN! OR ELSE...

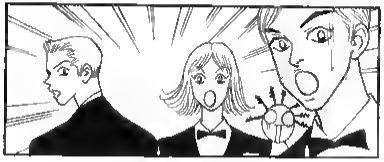
OR ELSE. WHAT?
YOU'VE NEVER DONE ANYTHING ON YOUR OWN. EVEN THE CLOTHES ON YOUR BACK ARE FROM ME.
MISS?
TAKE HER HOME.

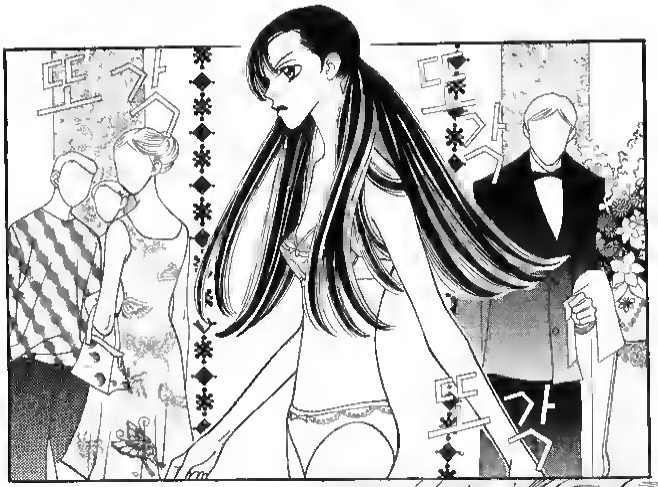
WATCH ME! I DON'T NEED ANYTHING FROM YOU



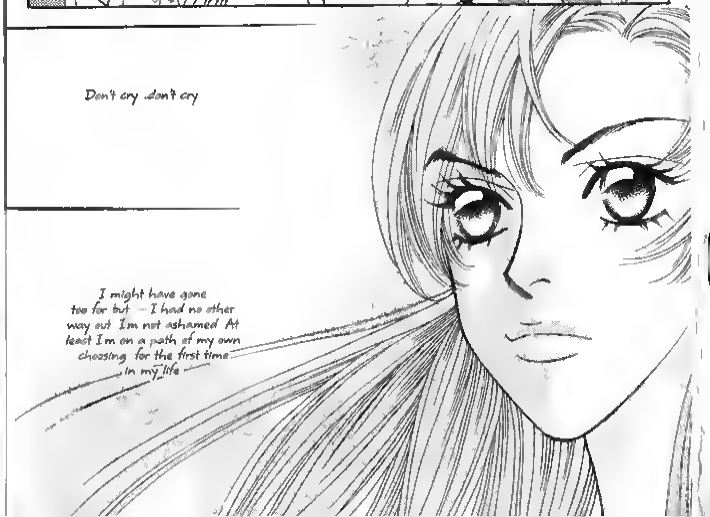

NOTHING AT ALL. JUST TRY AND STOP ME NOW







My life won't be easy after this I'll have to face the world on my own


Don't cry .don't cry
I might have gone too far but — I had no other way out I'm not ashamed At least I'm on a path of my own choosing for the first time in my life

But I'll never regret it!

Part 24: Glass Castles

I GUESS GRANDPA'S OFFICIALLY PICKING YOU AS HIS HEIR, THEN...
YEAH OF COURSE GRANDPA LIKES HIM BEST... SINCE HE JUMPS WHEN GRANDPA SAYS "BOO" "BOO" "BOO"
HA HA! NOW DON'T PICK ON OUR POOR LITTLE COUSIN. HE'S ONLY TRYING TO MAKE UP FOR HIS LOSER FATHER...
CAN YOU BLAME HIM? I'D PICK THE OBEDIENT STRAIGHT-A STUDENT TOO EVEN IF HE IS BORING...
Here they go again
YOU THINK YOU'RE SO HOT BUT WE ALL KNOW WHAT YOUR MOM WAS! YOU'RE LUCKY TO EVEN GET HAND-ME-DOWNS FROM THE FAMILY.
LEAVE HIM ALONE! IS IT HIS FAULT THAT YOU DON'T EVEN TRY TO IMPRESS GRANDPA?
SUNHEE, DOESN'T IT PISS YOU OFF THAT THIS BASTARD WILL TAKE OVER THE FAMILY BUSINESS?
YOU'VE GOT NO RIGHT TO BE UPSET! YOU'VE NEVER WORKED HARD A DAY IN YOUR LIFE, MORONS...
AT LEAST YOU HAD A SHOT! IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT I DO, SINCE I'M A GIRL...
BUT DON'T FEEL SAFE JUST YET HWHRIM. IF YOU SCREW THIS UP YOU'LL GET SENT RIGHT BACK TO THE GUTTER YOU CAME FROM.
YOU KNOW WHAT GRANDPA IS LIKE.

DO YOU THINK HE REALLY WANTS THE SON OF A WHORE TO TAKE OVER?
LOOK AT HER, CARRYING BOOKS AROUND AS IF SHE ACTUALLY GETS GOOD GRADES.
HEH! HEH. HEH.
GOOD LUCK, HWI-RIM. FROM WHAT I HEAR, THAT GIRL IS TROUBLE...
BUT AT LEAST SHE'S AN HEIRESS.
I hate this family. The abuse I take from them—it never stops.
My father died very young, before I was born. My mother was his favorite call girl... She took money from my grandfather and then dumped me here and vanished. My grandfather told me that she only got pregnant to extort money from him anyway.
I can't even remember how many times I got locked in the attic, or went without food. They were always saying...
"Little bastard!"
"Son of a whore!"
I have to be strong!!
Only the strong survive!!
Only the strong

How pathetic. You don't think there's a way to fight them? Just watch and I'll show you!
Very impressive So Na. I envy you—

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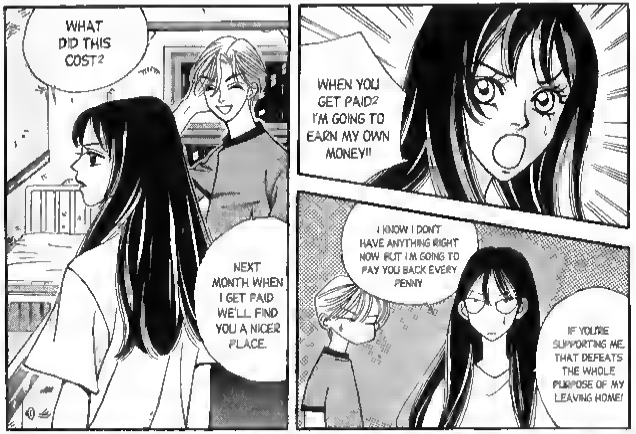
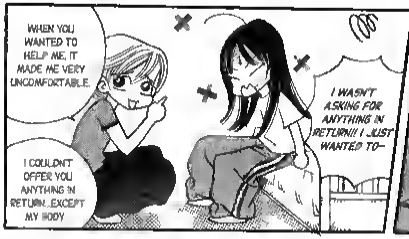
THIS IS THE BEST I COULD GET WITH THE MONEY I HAD

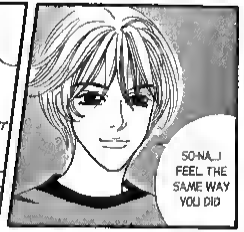
IT'S NOT MUCH TO LOOK AT AND I DIDN'T HAVE A CHANCE TO BUY YOU FOOD BUT


WHAT DID THIS COST?
NEXT MONTH WHEN I GET PAID WE'LL FIND YOU A NICER PLACE.
WHEN YOU GET PAID? I'M GOING TO EARN MY OWN MONEY!!
I KNOW I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING RIGHT NOW BUT I'M GOING TO PAY YOU BACK EVERY PENNY
IF YOU'RE SUPPORTING ME THAT DEFEATS THE WHOLE PURPOSE OF MY LEAVING HOME!

THANK YOU
BUT DON'T TRY TO HELP ME OUT AFTER THIS I WANT TO DO THIS ON MY OWN. I MEAN IT. TAKING HELP FROM YOU...

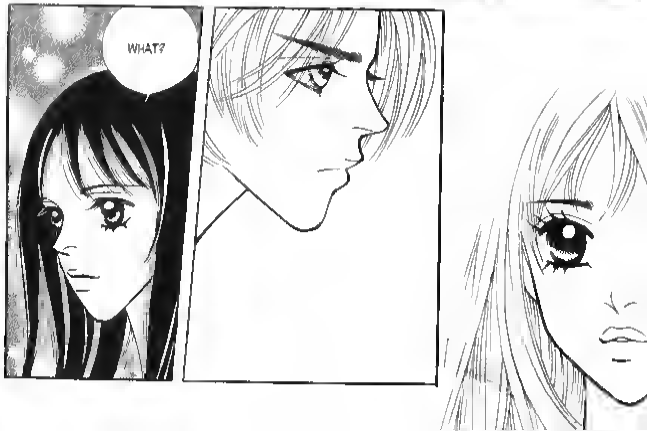
NOW YOU KNOW HOW I FELT


WHEN YOU WANTED TO HELP ME, IT MADE ME VERY UNCOMFORTABLE.
I WASN'T ASKING FOR ANYTHING IN RETURN!! I JUST WANTED TO—
I COULDN'T OFFER YOU ANYTHING IN RETURN...EXCEPT MY BODY

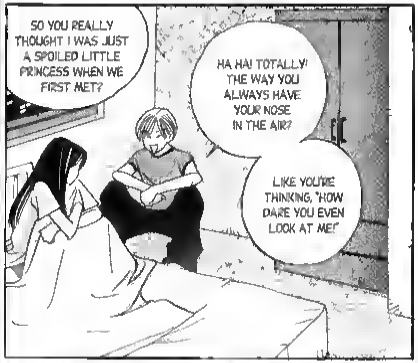

SO-NA...I FEEL THE SAME WAY YOU DID

WE BOTH KNOW HOW WE FEEL...
ALL RIGHT... LET'S PROMISE TO BE HONEST WITH EACH OTHER. IF WE NEED HELP, IF WE'RE IN TROUBLE, WE'LL TELL EACH OTHER, OKAY?

ARE YOU SURE THIS IS OKAY? WON'T YOUR FATHER BE WORRIED?
DON'T WORRY ABOUT H M. MY FATHER IS A MAN WHO IS MORE SCARY THAN YOU CAN IMAGINE.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "SCARY"? HOW SO?
TRUST ME. HE JUST IS...

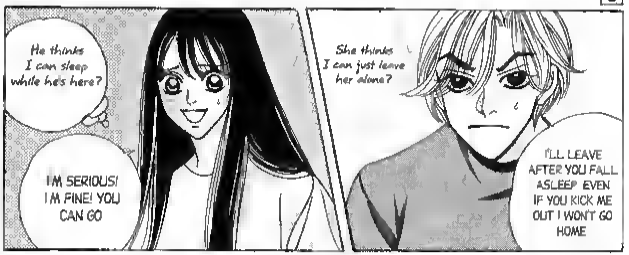

WHAT?

AH
I CAN'T BELIEVE I FORGOT TO GET YOU SOME FOOD. WE SHOULD GO GET SOMETHING.
I thought
she was going to make his move
WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE?
What am I an animal? But I can't help myself around her...
Why did he stop?
Does he want to do it? Or not?
Agh. I really want him... but I can't


SO YOU REALLY THOUGHT I WAS JUST A SPOILED LITTLE PRINCESS WHEN WE FIRST MET?
HA HA! TOTALLY! THE WAY YOU ALWAYS HAVE YOUR NOSE IN THE AIR?
LIKE YOU'RE THINKING, "HOW DARE YOU EVEN LOOK AT ME!"

OH, REALLY? WELL, I THOUGHT YOU WERE JUST A DULL AND SIMPLE BOY.
WELL, I THINK I'M PRETTY SIMPLE...I'M AN OPEN BOOK!
YOU'RE SIMPLE? I'VE NEVER EVEN HAD A BOYFRIEND BEFORE!
REALLY? I'M YOUR FIRST?

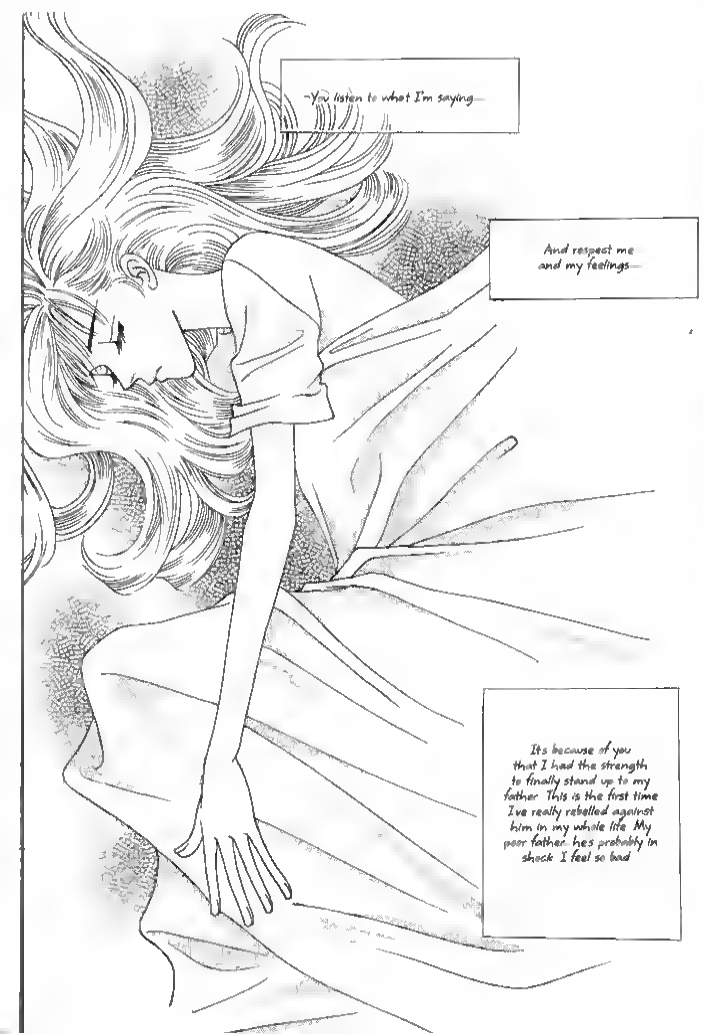
HEY IT'S GETTING LATE, ISN'T IT? YOU SHOULD GET GOING!
NOT UNTIL YOU'RE SAFELY ASLEEP. DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME, JUST TRY AND RELAX...

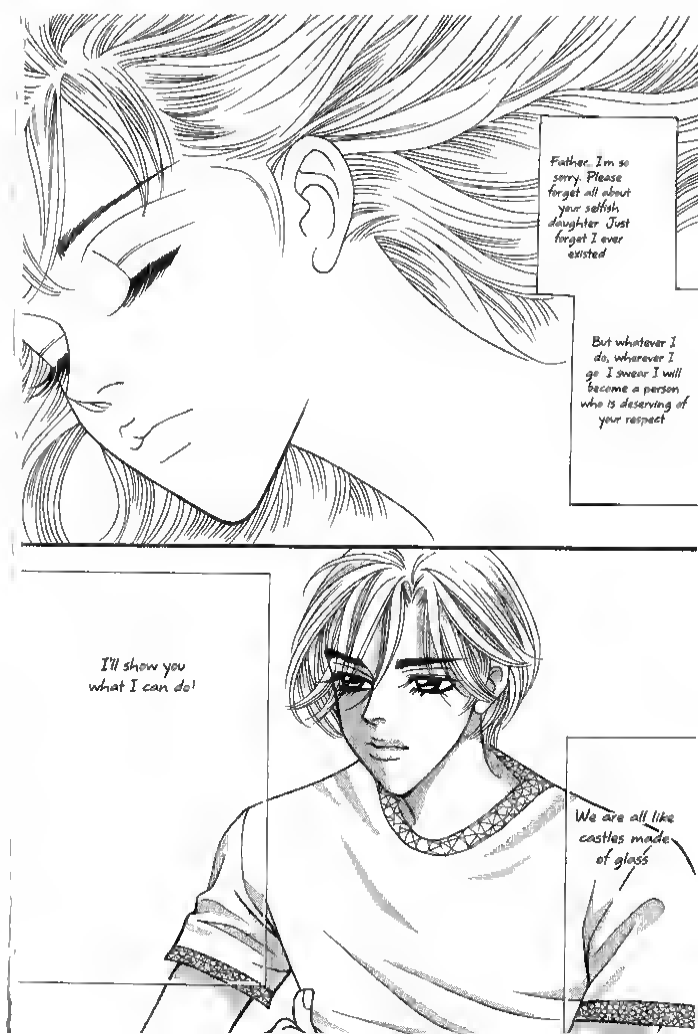

He thinks I can sleep while he's here?
I'M SERIOUS! I'M FINE! YOU CAN GO
She thinks I can just leave her alone?
I'LL LEAVE AFTER YOU FALL ASLEEP. EVEN IF YOU KICK ME OUT I WON'T GO HOME

What's going on here? Why is he being so stubborn? Does he really think I can sleep with him watching me?

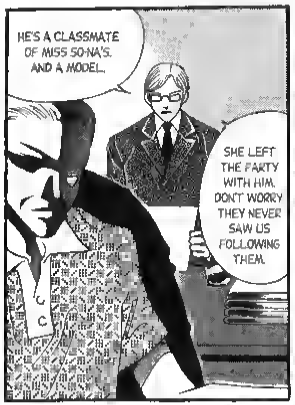
But his eyes... I think he really is worrying about me.

DON'T WORRY. I'M NOT GONNA JUMP YOU IN YOUR SLEEP OR ANYTHING.
GOOD 'CAUSE IF YOU TOUCH ME, I'LL KILL YOU
WHAT KIND OF GUY DO YOU THINK I AM?
Hae-Gi, I really do trust you.
You're so different from everyone else

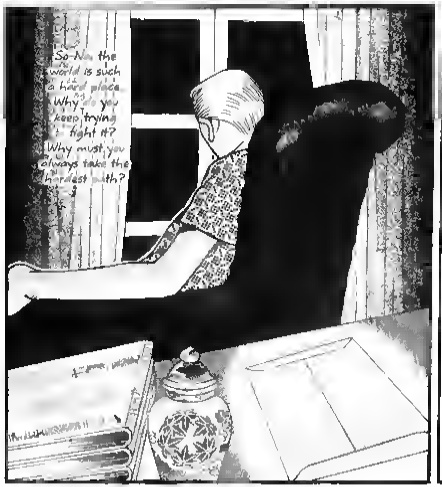

You listen to what I'm saying—
And respect me and my feelings—
It's because of you that I had the strength to finally stand up to my father. This is the first time I've really rebelled against him in my whole life. My poor father, he's probably in shock. I feel so bad

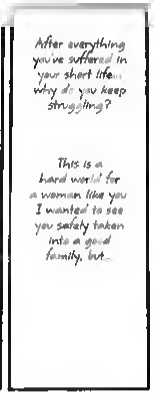

Father, I'm so sorry. Please forget all about your selfish daughter. Just forget I ever existed
But whatever I do, wherever I go, I swear I will become a person who is deserving of your respect
I'll show you what I can do!
We are all like castles made of glass

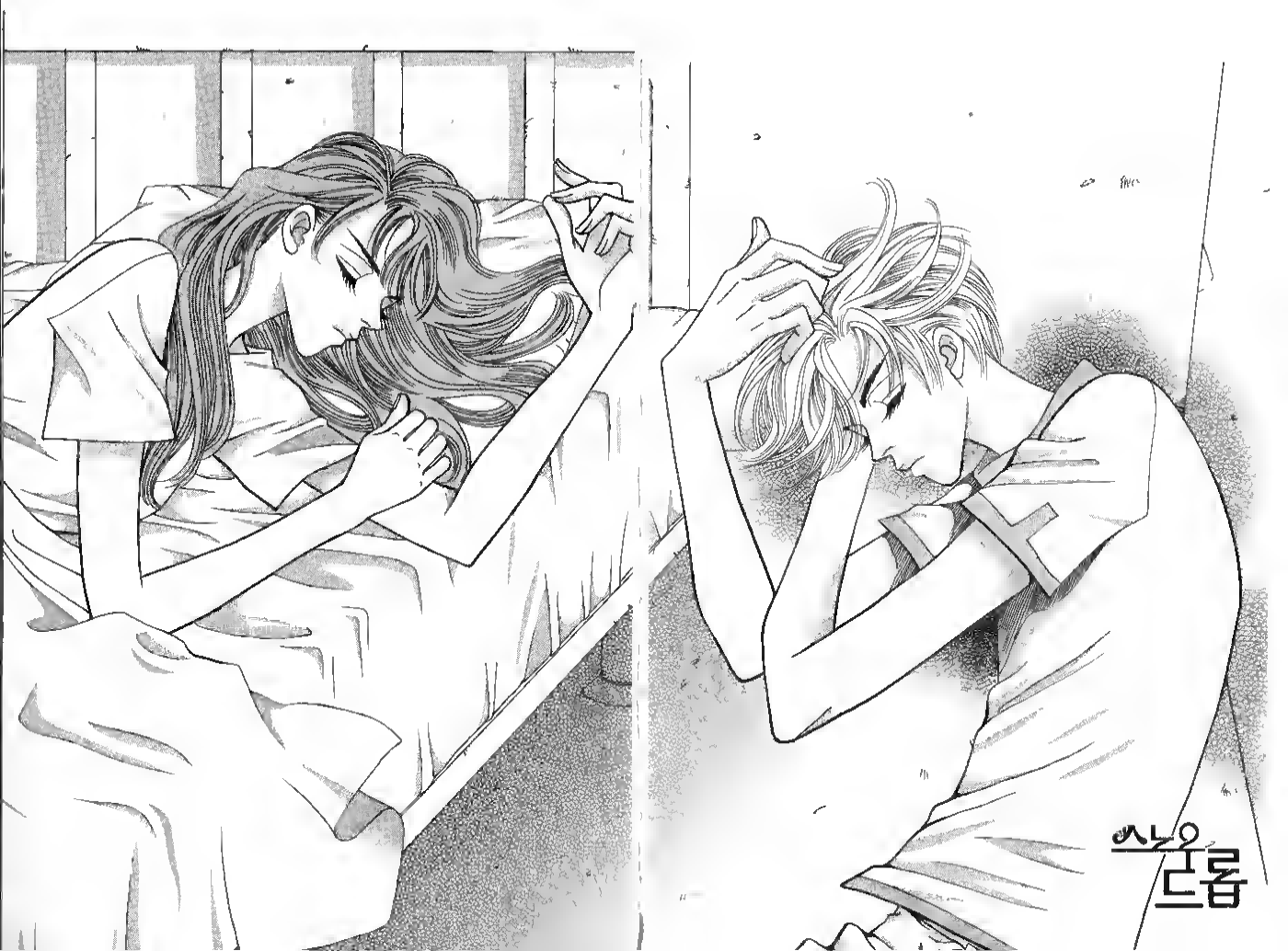
Easily broken, and sometimes sharp... castles of glass who end up hurting ourselves.
But our fragility is what makes us beautiful.
SIR. HERE'S THE REPORT ON THAT BOY YOU HAD US INVESTIGATE

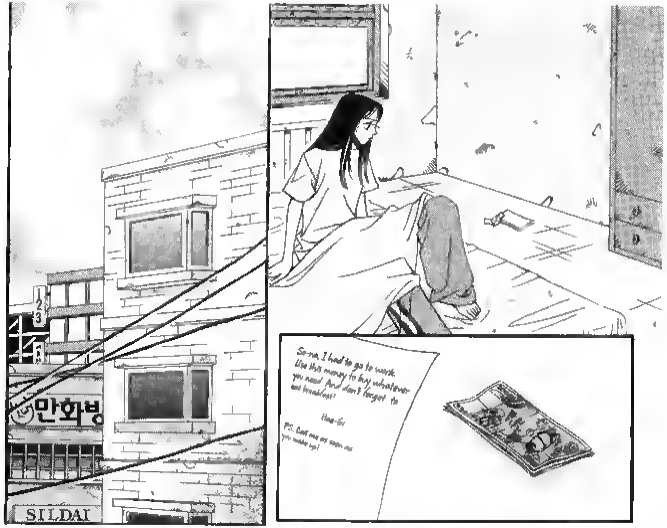

HE'S A CLASSMATE OF MISS SO-NA'S. AND A MODEL.
SHE LEFT THE PARTY WITH HIM. DON'T WORRY THEY NEVER SAW US FOLLOWING THEM.

Has my daughter really grown up?
JUST LEAVE IT THERE.


So-Na the world is such a hard place. Why do you keep trying to fight it? Why must you always take the hardest path?


After everything you've suffered in your short life... why do you keep struggling?
This is a hard world for a woman like you. I wanted to see you safely taken into a good family, but...

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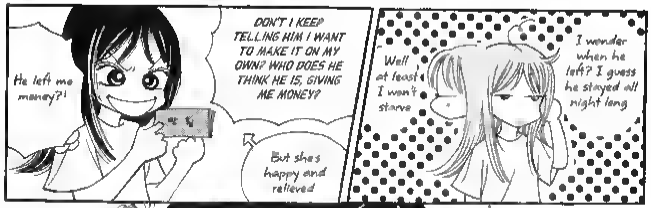
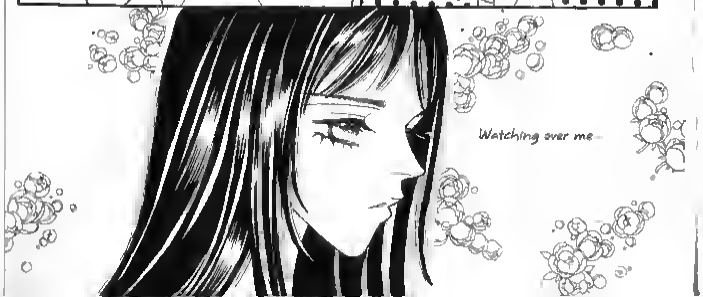
SILDAI
So-na, I had to go to work. Use this money to buy whatever you need and don't forget to eat breakfast!
Hee-ho
P.S. Call me or text me when you wake up!


He left me money?!
DON'T I KEEP TELLING HIM I WANT TO MAKE IT ON MY OWN? WHO DOES HE THINK HE IS, GIVING ME MONEY?
But she's happy and relieved
Well at least I won't starve
I wonder when he left? I guess he stayed all night long


Watching over me...

Ooh! It's like we're newlyweds! ♡♡

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Get a grip, So-Na! I didn't leave home to act like a silly schoolgirl!
What time is it anyway?
10 o'clock! I overslept! I'm such a loser!

I'm on my own from now on I've got to earn my own money and solve my own problems...
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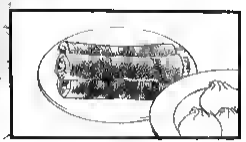
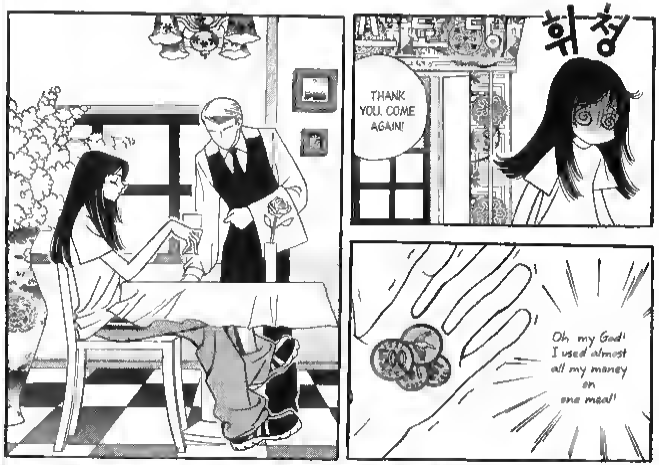
I'll have to become a success without any help. Look out world! Here I come!!

Hmm After I eat that is.



No, I can't just eat fast food


THANK YOU. COME AGAIN!
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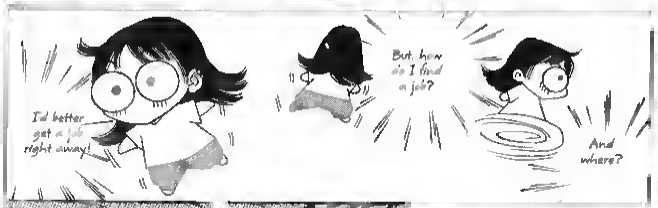
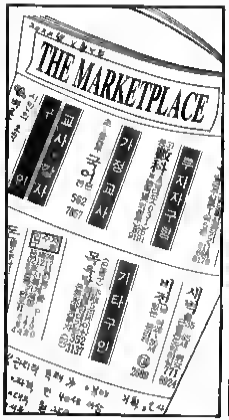
Oh, my God! I used almost all my money on one meal!


I'd better get a job right away!
But, how do I find a job?
And where?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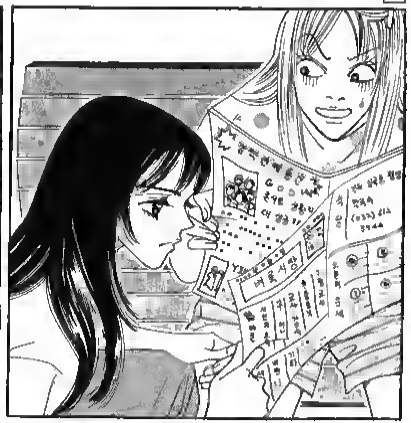

HEY! GET YOUR OWN PAPER!
I'M BROKE.
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What? It's a free paper! Is she stupid? Is she making fun of me?
HEH, HEH. I GOT HER COPY.

BUT I CAN'T CALL ANYBODY!
I USED MY LAST BIT OF CHANGE TO GET A DRINK!
WHAT KIND OF AN IDIOT AM I? I DON'T BELIEVE THIS!

I'm just a bum! Who's starving?

HELP WANTED STARTING IMMEDIATELY

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I CAN'T HIRE A MINOR!
HMPH.
THERE'S MUCH BETTER PLACES TO WORK ANYWAY!
Ooh I haven't eaten in hours!
SORRY IF YOU'RE A MINOR, YOU NEED PERMISSION FROM YOUR PARENTS TO WORK
I CAN'T ASK MY DAD HE'S A CONGRESSMAN
OK RIGHT IF YOU'RE THE DAUGHTER OF A CONGRESSMAN I'M THE SON OF THE PRESIDENT AND DON'T COME BACK HERE, YOU WACKO!!
DON'T WORRY, I WON'T!
Ooh

I've been to so many places today
SABANA
Mirage
I've been looking for hours, and I haven't earned a penny. This is so much harder than I imagined. What am I going to do?

30 MINUTES FREE IN OUR KARAOKE ROOM!
Everyone says I'm too young
I can't even afford to die
Is 17 really so young?

HEY! WAIT UP!
Does he mean me?

HAS ANYONE EVER TOLD YOU THAT YOU MAKE A GOOD IMPRESSION?
What? No one's ever said anything like that to me. Who is this guy?

I DIDN'T KNOW THAT YOU WERE A MINOR!
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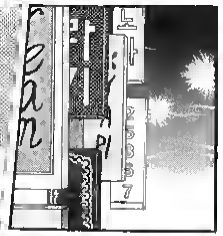
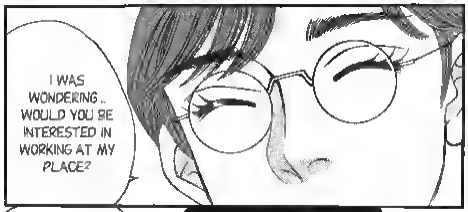
WHAT KIND OF FOOL ARE YOU?! SHE DEFINITELY NEEDS A JOB! SHE COULD HAVE BEEN THE BLOOMING FLOWER OF OUR STORE!
I'VE BEEN WORKING ON THIS STREET FOR YEARS...
I'VE NEVER SEEN SOMEONE TALK ABOUT BEING A RUNAWAY SO PROUDLY. YOU SHOULD HAVE SEEN HER EYES! AND SHE SEEMED WAY TOO MATURE TO BE A MINOR.
I THOUGHT SHE MIGHT BE AN UNDERCOVER COP!




I WAS WONDERING... WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN WORKING AT MY PLACE?

A job?

Wait. This is suspicious! He seems nice, but what if he's a kidnapper! Or a pimp! I'd better make sure...
JUST WHAT KIND OF PLACE CAN HIRE MINORS? I'M A 17-YEAR-OLD RUNAWAY WITH NO LEGAL GUARDIAN, AND I'M JUST WARNING YOU IF THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WILL BREAK THE "TEENAGERS PROTECTION LAW"...
YOU COULD GET THREE YEARS IN PRISON AND PAY HUGE FINES!

I'm starving! But I'm completely out of cash.

Loads of airhead parasites, living off their parents' money.
Maybe you girls should try studying once in a while.
You could actually become a benefit to society instead of!
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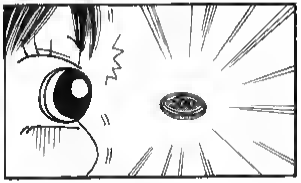

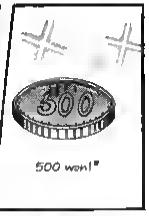

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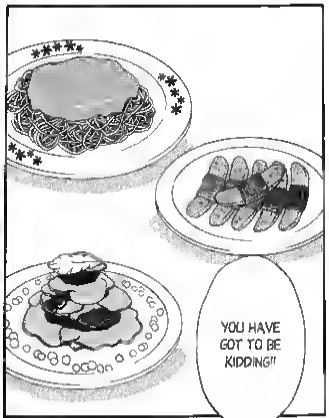
The back of my neck is burning everyone must be staring at me I can't believe I grabbed the money that stupid girl dropped and started running...

But at least I can make a call now

Who should I call?

Hae-Gi



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YOU'RE A RIOT, SO-HA!! WHAT WERE YOU THINKING? YOU RAN AWAY FROM HOME WITH NOTHING?
I'm so hungry, I'll even take this above
AND AFTER WALKING OUT ON YOUR ENGAGEMENT SO PROUDLY!

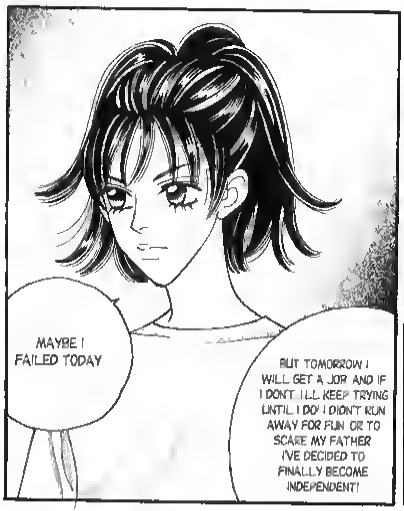
ALTHOUGH, DIDN'T YOUR DAD PAY FOR YOUR IKA AND PANTIES TOO?
IF ONLY I COULD HAVE SEEN IT--
SHUT UP, HA-DA!

HA HA HA HA! YOU'RE REALLY SOMETHING, SO-HA I'VE NEVER HEARD OF A KID MAKING SUCH A MESS OUT OF REBELLING. IT'S JUST TOO MUCH!

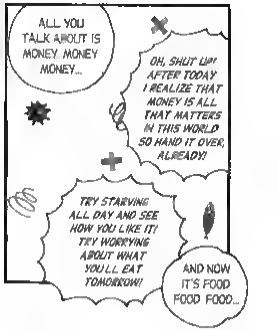
AND THAT BASTARD HWHRM. HE CAN'T EVEN SHOW HIS FACE IN PUBLIC AFTER WHAT YOU DID TO HIM. HA.
YOU'VE MADE YOUR POINT, THOUGH. AREN'T YOU READY TO GO BACK HOME YET?

I WAS WORRIED ABOUT YOU TOO YOU KNOW
I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU ALL DAY. THANK GOD YOU CALLED ME. C'MON, I'LL TAKE YOU BACK HOME. NOW THAT YOU'VE SHOWN YOUR DAD HOW YOU FEEL--

I'M NOT GOING BACK.


MAYBE I FAILED TODAY
BUT TOMORROW I WILL GET A JOB AND IF I DON'T, I'LL KEEP TRYING UNTIL I DO! I DIDN'T RUN AWAY FOR FUN OR TO SCARE MY FATHER. I'VE DECIDED TO FINALLY BECOME INDEPENDENT!

ARE YOU INSANE?
YES! I'VE GONE NUTS! SO YOU'D BETTER PAY ME BACK EVERY CENT YOU'VE EVER BORROWED!
THAT'S WHY I CALLED YOU! TO GET MY MONEY BACK!


ALL YOU TALK ABOUT IS MONEY, MONEY, MONEY...
OH, SHUT UP! AFTER TODAY I REALIZE THAT MONEY IS ALL THAT MATTERS IN THIS WORLD. SO HAND IT OVER, ALREADY!
TRY STARVING ALL DAY AND SEE HOW YOU LIKE IT! TRY WORRYING ABOUT WHAT YOU'LL EAT TOMORROW!
AND NOW IT'S FOOD, FOOD, FOOD...

HOP ON! I'LL HOOK YOU UP WITH A PLACE TO STAY
AND I'LL GIVE YOU AN ALLOWANCE. SO STOP ACTING LIKE A HOBO
JUST GIVE ME MY MONEY
I SAID I WOULD DIDN'T IT? C'MON, LET'S GO! WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO, SLEEP ON THE STREET?
HAE-GI ALREADY GOT ME A PLACE AND I'LL WALK THANKS
WHAT?
I WAS WONDERING WHERE YOU SPENT LAST NIGHT...
CAN I HAVE MY MONEY ALREADY?
IF HE'S HELPING YOU OUT--WHY'D YOU USE YOUR LAST COIN TO CALL ME?

DON'T YOU THINK HE'S EVEN MORE WORRIED RIGHT NOW THAN I WAS?!
I know, but...

HAE-GI!
THANKS FOR TAKING CARE OF THE IDIOT GIRL! I JUST CAME TO SEE WHERE SHE'S STAYING, SO DON'T GET ANY WRONG IDEAS.
BE QUIET! THIS IS MY HOME, AND YOU'RE MY FRIEND WHO'S VISITING, THAT'S ALL!
YOU'RE BOTH MY FRIENDS!
SHE CALLED ME BECAUSE SHE WAS HUNGRY WONDER WHY SHE DIDN'T CALL YOU?

WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN? DIDN'T I ASK YOU TO CALL AS SOON AS YOU GOT UP?
YOU CALL THIS A HOME?
DON'T YOU KNOW HOW WORRIED I WAS WHEN I COULDN'T FIND YOU?
SORRY! I GOT BUSY AND I FORGOT, OKAY? I'M NOT A LITTLE KID, YOU KNOW, SO CALM DOWN!

YOU WOULDN'T WORRY IF I WERE MISSING?
HOW HARD IS IT TO MAKE ONE PHONE CALL?
WOULD BOTH OF YOU JUST GET OUT OF HERE?!
HAE-GI SHE DOESN'T WANT TO TELL YOU, BUT SHE SPENT EVERYTHING YOU LEFT HER ON BREAKFAST SHE SPENT THE WHOLE DAY LOOKING FOR A JOB AND YOU NOW HOW HARD THAT WAS FOR HER. SHE WAS STARVING...SO WHEN SOMEONE DROPPED A COIN IN FRONT OF HER, SHE CALLED ME SO I'D BUY HER SOME DINNER.
Ha Da, you bastard
What
GO AHEAD! LAUGH AT ME! LAUGH AT THE STUPID GIRL WHO DIDN'T KNOW WHAT THE REAL WORLD WAS LIKE! BUT LET ME TELL YOU.

...NOW I KNOW AND TOMORROW WILL BE DIFFERENT
Hae-Gi can't you see how much it hurt my pride to admit this to you? I couldn't call you I was too ashamed
Ashamed to be so foolish
IF YOU'RE DONE MAKING FUN OF ME YOU TWO CAN JUST LEAVE NOW!
OKAY BUT I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT WANT TO HEAR ABOUT A JOB I FOUND OUT ABOUT...
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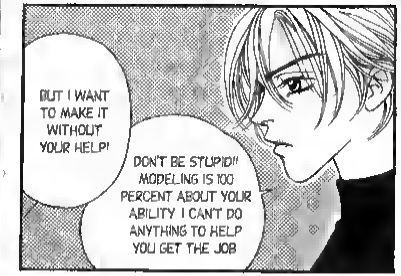
WHAT? WHAT IS IT?
MODELING

HER? AN ATHLETE'S-FOOT MODEL, MAYBE
THERE'S A SHOW COMING UP AND THEY WANT A BRAND-NEW MODEL FOR IT. OF COURSE, YOU'LL HAVE TO AUDITION, BUT...
IF YOU MODEL, YOU CAN STILL GO TO SCHOOL, AND THE PAY'S GOOD ENOUGH THAT YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT PAYING YOUR BILLS.


BUT I WANT TO MAKE IT WITHOUT YOUR HELP!
DON'T BE STUPID!! MODELING IS 100 PERCENT ABOUT YOUR ABILITY I CAN'T DO ANYTHING TO HELP YOU GET THE JOB

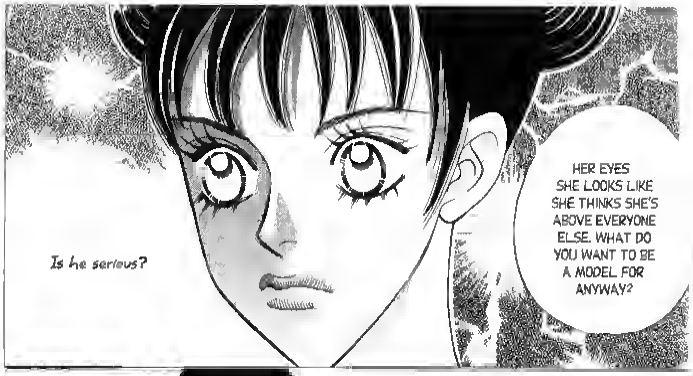
HEY, SO-NA, IF IT'S A JOB HAE-GI CAN MANAGE, YOU COULD DO IT EASY AND YOU'VE BEEN APPROACHED BY TALENT SCOUTS A BUNCH OF TIMES, REMEMBER?
YOU'RE TALL, PRETTY AND YOUR LEGS ARE AWESOME. OF COURSE, YOUR CHEST IS AS FLAT AS A BOARD BUT

DON'T YOU THINK IT'S TIME YOU GOT GOING, HA-DA?
Modeling?
I'd never even considered it. If my father finds out he'd be so angry. Being famous means...
...lots of money!
RIGHT. AND LEAVE YOU HERE TO TAKE CARE OF HER? SOME JOB YOU'VE DONE SO FAR!
OKAY! I CAN DO IT!
"I can do it"? Don't you mean, "I'll try"?
Suddenly I see a glimmer of hope
Rice?
I'LL BE ABLE TO DO IT! I'LL MAKE MY OWN WAY IN THIS WORLD! I'M GOING TO EARN A TON OF MONEY AND BUY LOTS OF RICE!

AND THAT'S IT FOR TODAY
HA HA. SHE PICKED CHANGE UP OFF THE STREET?
I THINK SHE MAY BE LEARNING SOME VALUABLE LESSONS.
SIR...HOW LONG ARE YOU GOING TO JUST STAND BY AND WATCH HER?
IF SHE WERE A BOY IT WOULD BE ONE THING TO LET HER LIVE ON THE STREETS AND GET AN EDUCATION ABOUT REAL LIFE BUT AS A GIRL...
AS A GIRL? SHE HAS NO CHANCE AS A GIRL. NOW NO FAMILY WILL ACCEPT HER AFTER WHAT HAPPENED
THE RUMORS HAVE SPREAD ALREADY. NO ONE WILL WANT HER FOR A DAUGHTER IN-LAW. MY ONLY CHOICE IS TO START TREATING HER LIKE A SON.
I'M GOING TO LET HER TASTE THE BITTERNESS OF THE WORLD A LITTLE MORE...AND THEN BRING HER BACK IN
THEN WE'LL START GROOMING HER TO SUCCEED ME AS HEAD OF OUR PARTY SOMEDAY. NOW THAT I KNOW WHAT SO-NA WANTS, I KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH HER!
YOU'RE...NOT ANGRY WITH HER?
HA HA! HOW COULD I BE, WHEN SHE'S JUST LIKE ME?
She's great!

JUST WATCH OVER HER..AND MAKE SURE SHE NEVER FINDS OUT ABOUT YOU.
YES SIR.
OH HAVE YOU READ THE FILE I PREPARED?
ABOUT THE BOY SHE'S SEEING. OH HAE-GI...
OH..THIS?
WAIT..WHAT DID YOU SAY HIS NAME WAS?
OH HAE-GI..

NO. SHE HAS NO CHANCE.
WHAT?
SHE'S TOO STUCK UP


Is he serious?
HER EYES
SHE LOOKS LIKE SHE THINKS SHE'S ABOVE EVERYONE ELSE. WHAT DO YOU WANT TO BE A MODEL FOR ANYWAY?

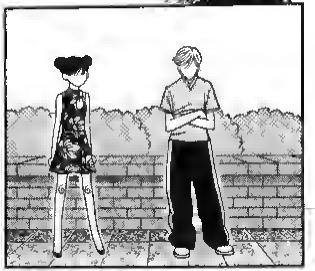
FOR THE MONEY, RIGHT? TSK.

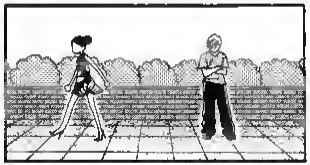
OH, LIKE YOU'RE WORKING FOR FREE? WITH ALL YOUR LAME EXPENSIVE DESIGNER LABELS... NO ONE IN THIS WORLD WORKS WITHOUT GETTING PAID, POPS--

OH, MAN. I DID IT AGAIN.
WHAT'S WRONG WITH ME? WHY CAN'T I CONTROL MYSELF? AND I CALLED HIM "POPS"? I DESERVE WHATEVER I GET...

WHAT AM I GOING TO DO, HAE-GI?
LISTEN TO ME, SO-NA. YOU HAVE A CHOICE.

IF YOU DON'T WANT TO WORK, I'LL SUPPORT YOU. I'M FINE WITH THAT
BUT IF YOU REALLY WANT TO BE INDEPENDENT YOU NEED TO GO IN THERE, APOLOGIZE AND BEG FOR A JOB





I'M SO SORRY I DON'T KNOW WHAT GOT INTO ME PLEASE FORGIVE ME...
THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF KIDS ON THE STREET JUST LIKE YOU, DYING TO GET ONE OF THESE JOBS.
BUT YOU KNOW IF YOU'D JUST ADMITTED YOU WERE DOING IT FOR THE MONEY I'D HAVE HIRED YOU LIKE YOU SAID WE ALL JUST NEED TO SURVIVE IN THIS WORLD

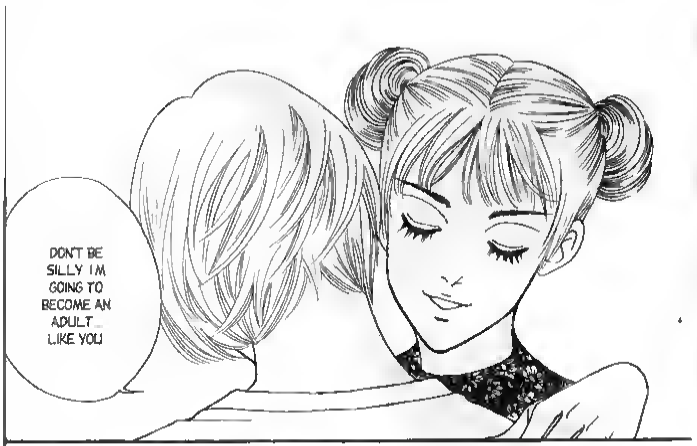
BUT... I ADMITTED IT! SO WHY--?
BECAUSE YOU CALLED ME "POPS"

BUT FROM NOW ON LET'S WORK HARD TOGETHER OKAY?

YOU MEAN-- I'M HIRED?
YES, BUT I'M WARNING YOU, I'M STRICT!
Don't act sassy like that again!

HAE-GI, GOT THE JOB!
HE HIRED ME!

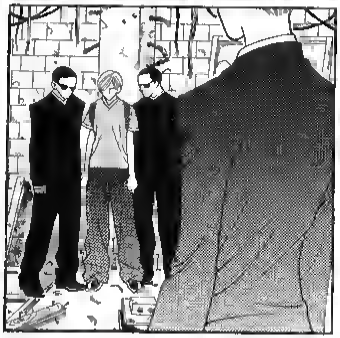
REALLY? I ADMIT I WAS KIND OF HOPING HE WOULD TELL YOU WHERE TO GO SO I COULD TAKE CARE OF YOU...

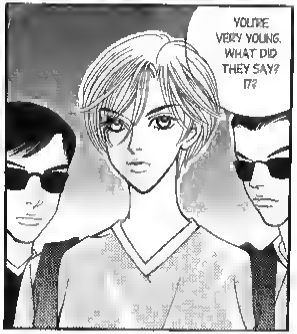

DON'T BE SILLY. I'M GOING TO BECOME AN ADULT LIKE YOU

AN ADULT?
I WANT TO BECOME STRONGER.
I WANT TO BE A PERSON WHO CAN BE STRONG AND ACT GRACEFULLY. NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS

I don't think you could be any stronger, Se-Na.
And you Hae-Gi

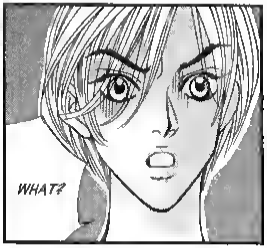
EXCUSE ME... OH HAE-GI?
WE'D LIKE TO TALK TO YOU
WHAT?
JUST SHUT UP AND COME ALONG!




YOU'RE VERY YOUNG. WHAT DID THEY SAY? 17?

I HAVE A SON YOUR AGE. HE'S EVEN A LITTLE LIKE YOU. I THINK YOU KNOW HIM? JANG HA-DA?
I HAVE TROUBLE BELIEVING IT'S MERELY COINCIDENCE THAT YOU'VE GOTTEN INVOLVED WITH SO-NA AND MY SON..
?!
..YOU ARE YOUNG. YOU DON'T KNOW ANYTHING, DO YOU? YOU PROBABLY JUST LIKE HER.
BUT THEN AGAIN...
LET ME SPELL THIS OUT FOR YOU. I DON'T WANT TO HAVE TO HURT SOMEONE WHO'S JUST A KID. BUT LISTEN - YOU HAVE TO STOP SEEING SO-NA IMMEDIATELY!
YOU AND YOUR FAMILY MUST MOVE AS FAR AWAY AS POSSIBLE. AND I DON'T WANT YOU TO EVER SHOW YOUR FACE HERE IN SEOUL AGAIN!

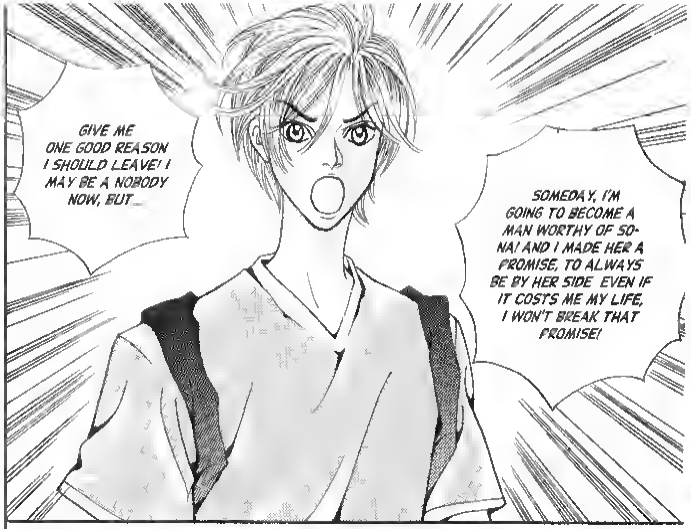
I'LL TRANSFER PLENTY OF MONEY INTO YOUR ACCOUNT SO YOU WON'T HAVE ANY TROUBLE STARTING OVER AGAIN. BUT YOU NEED TO DO WHAT I SAY.

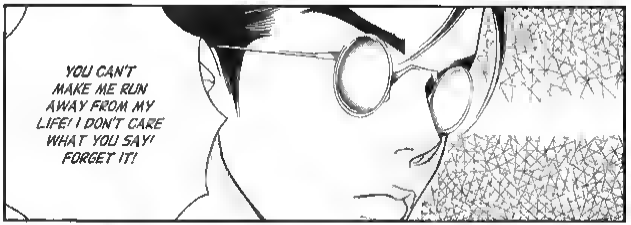

WHAT?

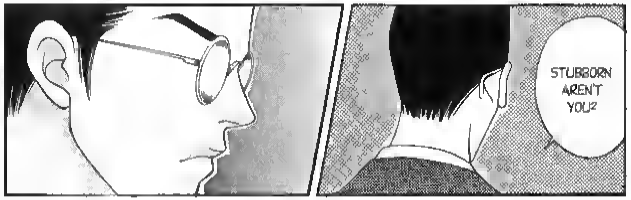
OR ELSE... YOU ARE DEAD

AND DON'T THINK I'M BLUFFING, BOY. WE COULD KILL YOU RIGHT HERE, AND NO ONE WOULD EVER KNOW. I'M NOT JOKING AROUND HERE.
THE POLICE HAVE A LOT MORE TO WORRY ABOUT THAN THE DEATH OF ONE USELESS TEENAGER. END THINGS WITH SONA. NOW. YOU HAVE NO IDEA WHAT KIND OF DANGER YOU ARE IN.
THERE'S MORE GOING ON HERE THAN YOU CAN POSSIBLY UNDERSTAND NO MATTER HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT IT. TRUST ME. DON'T THINK ABOUT IT. END IT NOW.

DO WE UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER? GOOD. I'M GIVING YOU ONE WEEK TO GET YOUR FAMILY OUT OF TOWN!
I WON'T!!

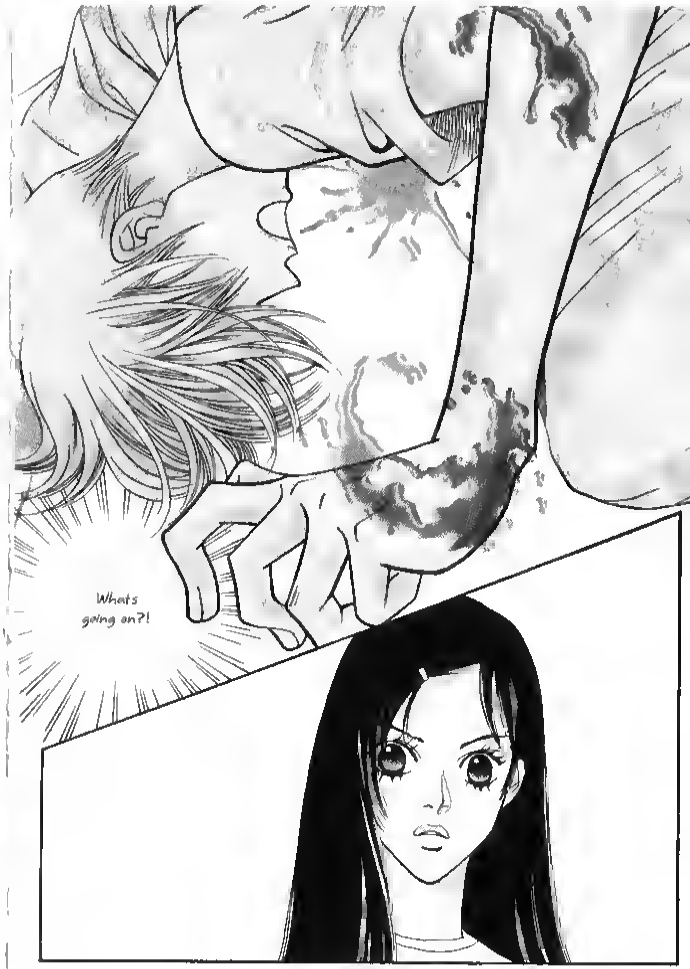

GIVE ME ONE GOOD REASON I SHOULD LEAVE! I MAY BE A NOBODY NOW, BUT...
SOMEDAY, I'M GOING TO BECOME A MAN WORTHY OF SO-NA! AND I MADE HER A PROMISE, TO ALWAYS BE BY HER SIDE EVEN IF IT COST'S ME MY LIFE, I WON'T BREAK THAT PROMISE!


YOU CAN'T MAKE ME RUN AWAY FROM MY LIFE! I DON'T CARE WHAT YOU SAY! FORGET IT!

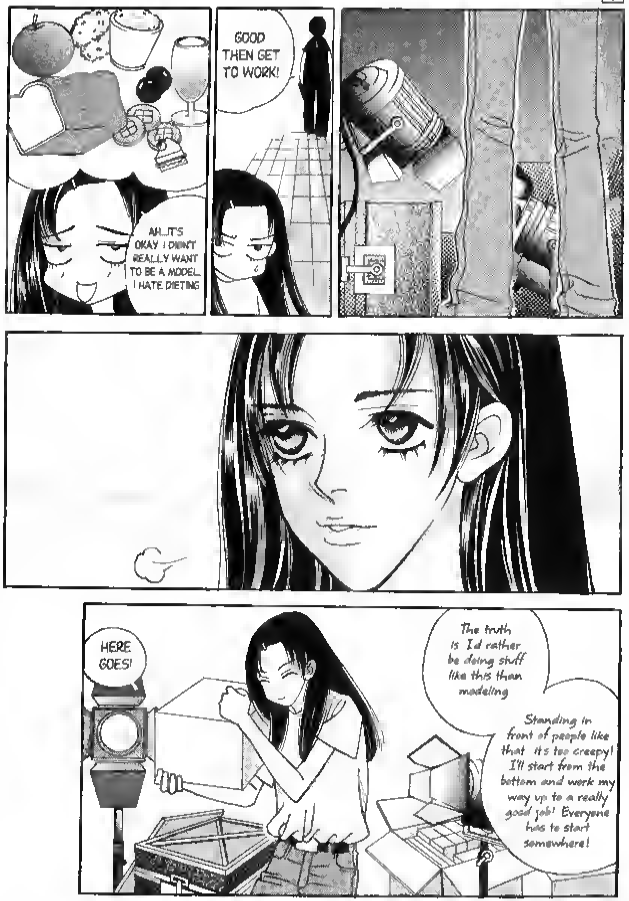

STUBBORN AREN'T YOU?

I FEEL SORRY FOR YOU, KID. BUT SOMETIMES YOU JUST CAN'T HELP THE WAY THINGS TURN OUT
YOU'D BETTER GET OVER YOURSELF AND SOON.
THINK OF YOUR MOTHER... IT WOULD BE TERRIBLE FOR SOMETHING TO HAPPEN TO HER AGAIN...
What?!

WAIT..
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?


Whats going on?!

YOU WANT ME TO CLEAN ALL THIS UP?
THAT'S RIGHT
I DO MODELS USUALLY DO STUFF LIKE THIS?
WHO SAYS YOU'RE A MODEL?
YOU'RE JUST A LOWLY ASSISTANT
!?
THEN WHY DID I HAVE TO TRY OUT?
BECAUSE!
NO MATTER WHAT THE JOB IS, I WON'T HAVE ANYONE WORKING HERE UNLESS THEY'VE GOT STYLE.
WHO DOES HE THINK HE IS?
DOES HE THINK I'M AN IDIOT?
DAMN IT!
SELFISH BASTARD! JERKING ME AROUND LIKE THAT!
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO DO IT THEN QUIT
cursing me out, eh?


AH...IT'S OKAY. I DIDN'T REALLY WANT TO BE A MODEL. I HATE DIETING
GOOD THEN GET TO WORK!
HERE GOES!
The truth is I'd rather be doing stuff like this than modeling
Standing in front of people like that it's too creepy! I'll start from the bottom and work my way up to a really good job! Everyone has to start somewhere!

But what's Hae-Gi up to? He hasn't been by and he hasn't called me back
Did something happen to him?
I'm worried my father's been quiet so far but...
COFF

WHAT DO YOU WANT?

I DON'T THINK WE HAVE ANYTHING MORE TO TALK ABOUT, DO WE?

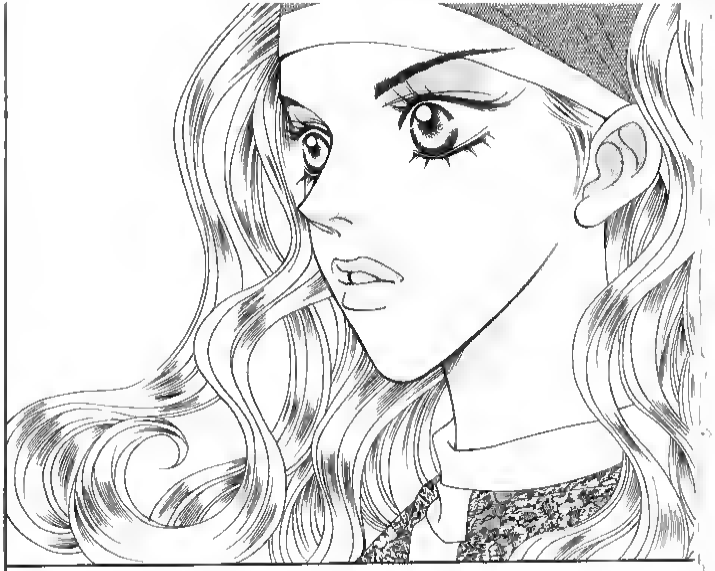
DID YOU PERM YOUR HAIR?
PRETTY FASHIONABLE, HUH? I'M LUCKY TO WORK AT SUCH A GREAT SALON
A REALLY FAMOUS STYLIST SAID HE'LL TRAIN ME! THE PAY IS GREAT AND AS A BONUS HE ASKED ME TO WEAR STUFF FROM HIS CLOTHING LINE BECAUSE I WEAR THEM SO WELL!
THEY'RE CUTE, HUH?
TOTALLY! AND THEY'RE SO YOU!!
Thanks!
Caught themselves talking like they're still dating

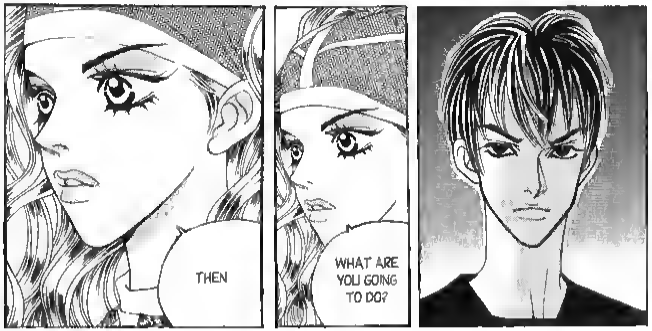
AHEM. I WANTED TO TALK TO YOU. TO ASK WHAT KIND OF A GUY ACTS LIKE A GIRL. YOU NEED TO GET YOUR ACT TOGETHER. OBVIOUSLY THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG WITH YOU...
WHAT?
WRONG WITH ME?!
YEAH! THAT'S RIGHT! LOOK AT ALL THE TROUBLE YOU'VE CAUSED! YOU NEED HELP!
HEE HEE HEE!!
YOU'RE THE ONE THE NEEDS HELP! WHO'S THE ONE WHO FELL FOR ME, HUH?

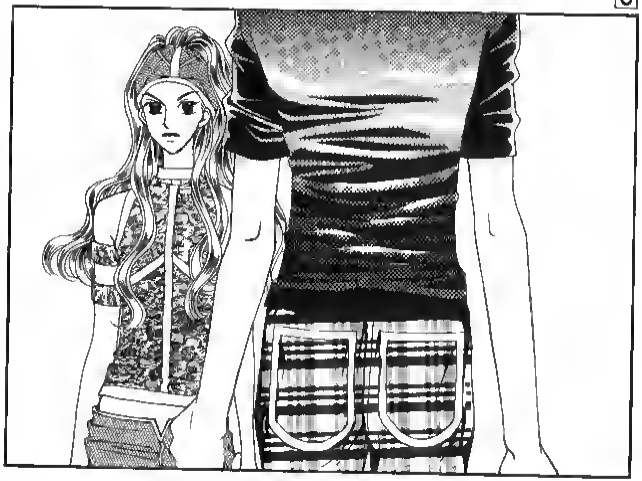
COME HERE, YOU--
HEY!
GET OFF ME!
IDIOT! I STUDY MARTIAL ARTS, REMEMBER?

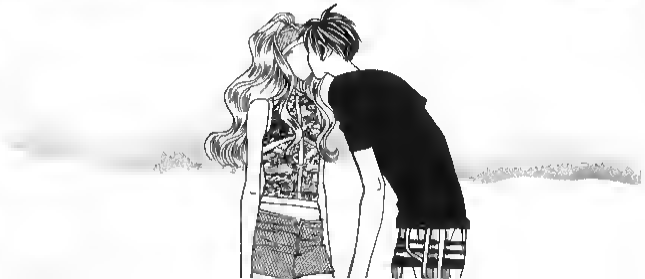
DON'T UNDERESTIMATE ME, HA-DA
NO MATTER HOW I LOOK I'M MORE POPULAR WITH GIRLS THAN MOST GUYS AND I'VE HAD MORE EXPERIENCE, TOO...
Experience?!!
DID HE JUST INSULT ME?
DAMN IT!
STOP ACTING SO SUPERIOR! AND WHILE YOU'RE AT IT STOP BOTHERING ME ALREADY!
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO'S ACTING SUPERIOR!
WHY DID YOU LIE TO ME, KO MO? WHY DID YOU SAY YOU WERE A GIRL?

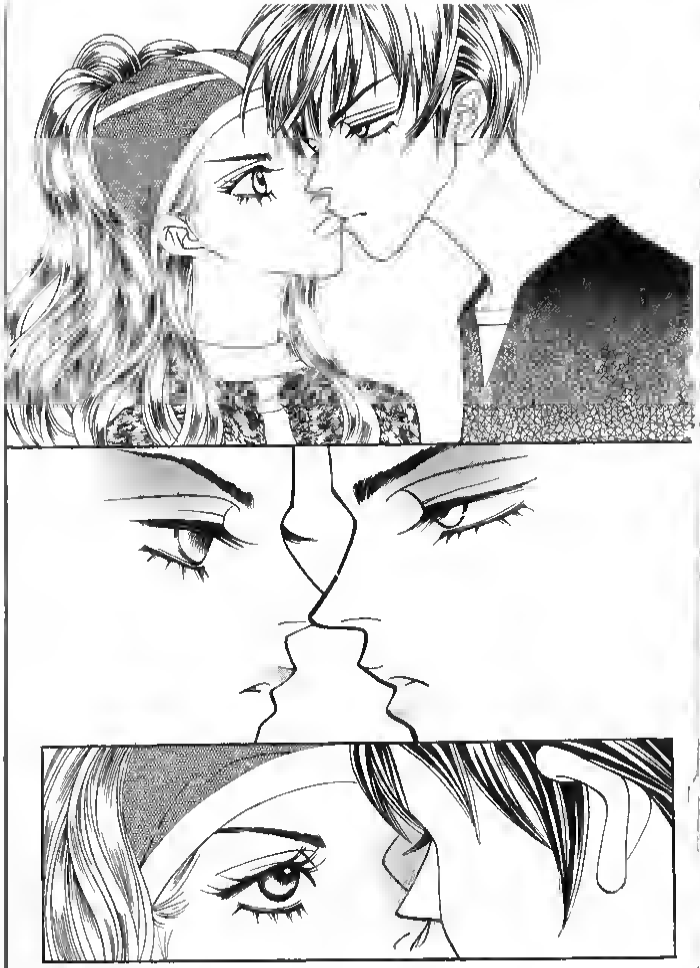
I'VE DECIDED I CAN'T FORGIVE YOU! AND I WON'T LEAVE YOU ALONE...UNTIL I'M SATISFIED!




THEN
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?

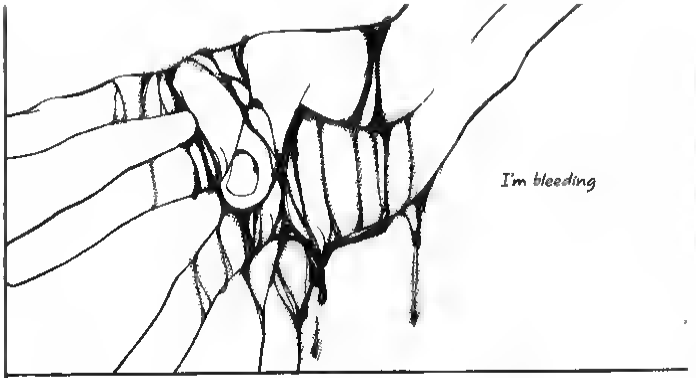






WHAT ARE YOU, CRAZY?

YOU LOSER!
WHAT'RE YOU LOOKING AT?!



Who cares?

Damn him

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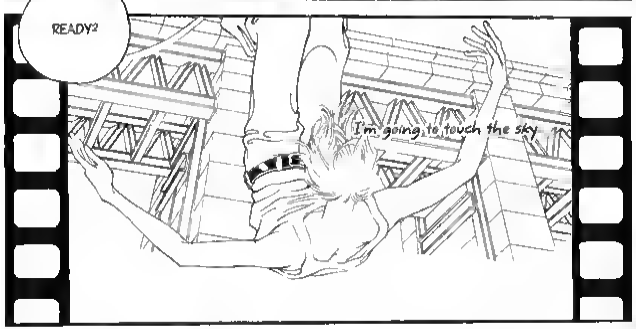
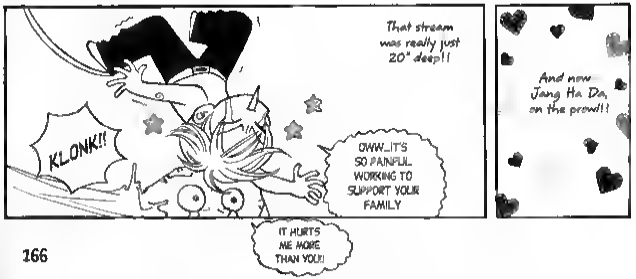
S.O... Snow Drop - Special Edition

CHOI HERE!! I'VE COME THIS FAR BECAUSE OF ALL YOUR LOVE AND SUPPORT
AND NOW TO REPAY YOU I BRING YOU THIS SPECIAL VERSION OF SNOW DROP! JUST RELAX, SUSPEND DISBELIEF AND GO ALONG FOR THE RIDE...




That stream was really just 20" deep!!
KLONK!!
OWW...IT'S SO PAINFUL WORKING TO SUPPORT YOUR FAMILY
IT HURTS ME MORE THAN YOU!!
And now Jang Ha Da, on the prowl!!

HEY PRETTY GIRLS, COME ON OVER...
DON'T CALL WHEN I'M BUSY..
BWAHAHAHA!! THIS IS SO EASY!!!
DID YOU CALL ME?
But wait...a goddess!!
WHAT? HOW CAN YOU IGNORE ME, JANG HA-DA, THE ULTRA-ULTIMATE ELIGIBLE BACHELOR?
HOW CAN YOU IGNORE MY GOOD TASTE, GOOD SENSE, THE WORLD OF PERFECT BEAUTY I OFFER YOU...
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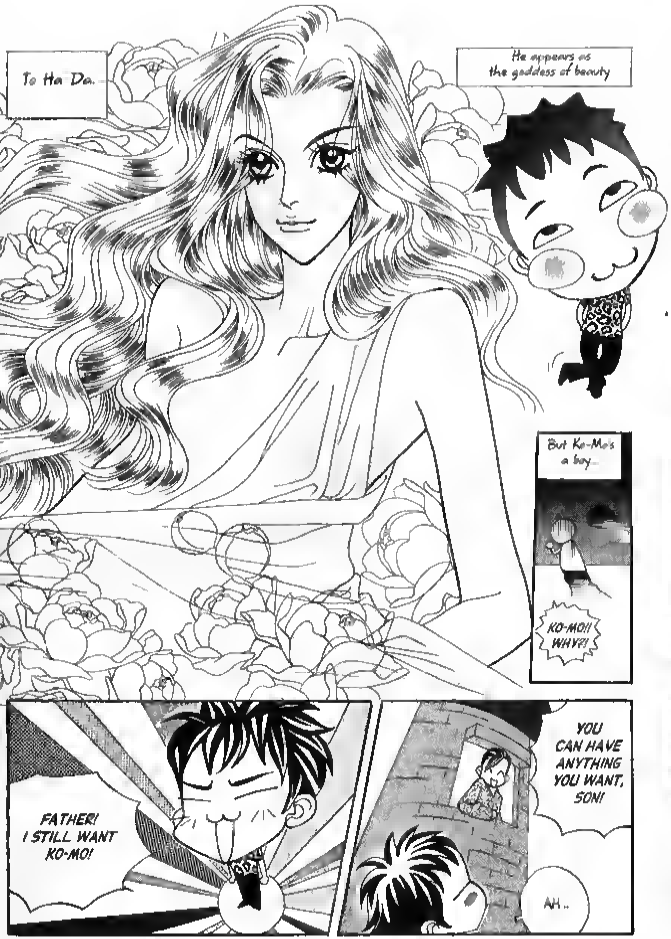
EASY IDIOT BOY
It's the extremely daring Oh Ke-Mo!!


To Ha Da.
He appears as the goddess of beauty
But Ko-Mo's a boy...
KO-MO!! WHY?!
FATHER! I STILL WANT KO-MO!
YOU CAN HAVE ANYTHING YOU WANT, SON!
AH..

Still Ko Mo being a boy is a problem for Ha Da. Once...
ROMANCE COMICS ARE ALWAYS GOING ON ABOUT LOVE..
tsk.
I DON'T KNOW WHY I LIKE YOU!
THIS ISN'T EASY!
WHY?
WHO CARES ABOUT GIRLS?
HEY HA-DA. WHY ARE YOU READING A GAY ROMANCE COMIC?
WHAT?
Gasp
Ha
Ahh
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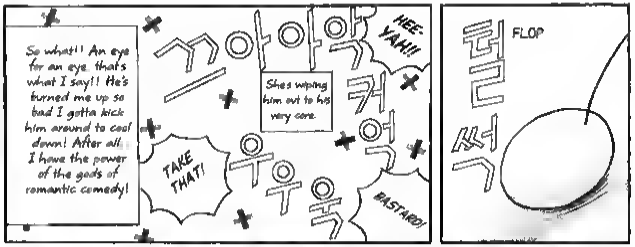
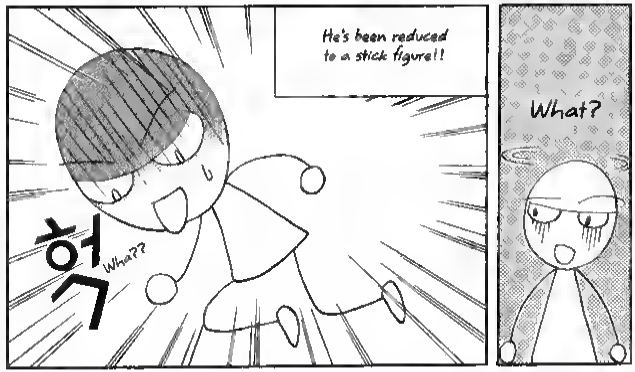
I'M NOT LIKE THAT!!
Ha-Da goes into shock!! He thinks it's completely ridiculous, but...he feels the sting of truth...
His love toward Ko-Mo is...
I NEED TO KNOW... WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO LIKE ANOTHER MAN?
Oh.
Oh.
Oh.
This book says love has no borders. I don't understand my heart. I think love is a terrible, fickle, butterfly...

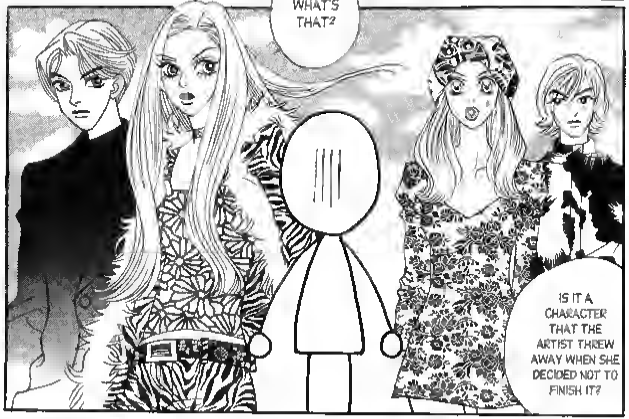
*Note Ka-Mo was named after the Cosmos flower that Ha Da is offering him.

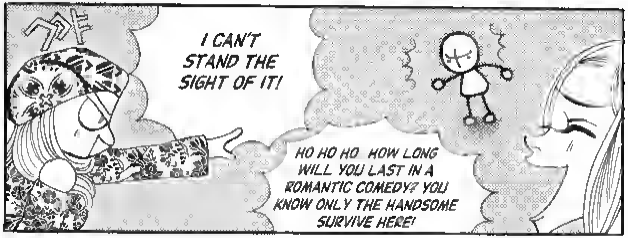
IN THE NAME OF THE GODS OF ROMANTIC COMEDY, I WILL PUNISH YOU! THE GODS GIVE ME POWER!
HOW DARE YOU DISRESPECT ME!! DIE, YOU FOOL!
KEEP GOING! I LOVE IT!
Uh oh! The evil king Hwi Rim transforms into a villain!

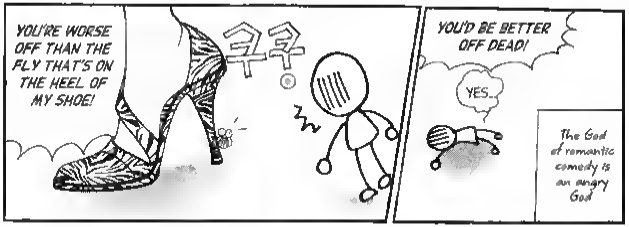

So what!! An eye for an eye, that's what I say!! He's turned me up so bad I gotta kick him around to cool down! After all, I have the power of the gods of romantic comedy!
HEE-YAH!!
She's wiping him out to his very core.
TAKE THAT!
BASTARD!
FLOP

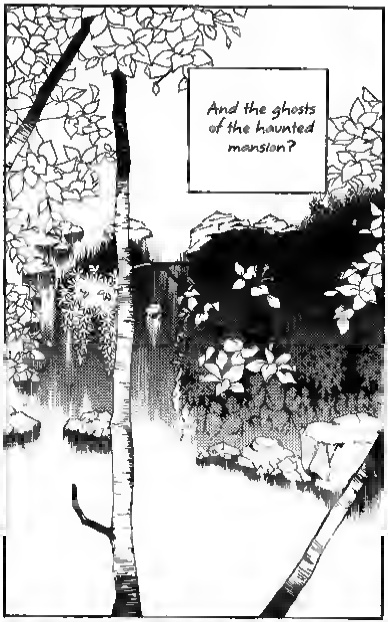
THAT WAS TOO CRUEL!!
LOOK WHAT YOU DID!!
I SUFFERED LIKE SHE DID, TOO, SINCE I WAS TRAPPED IN A ROMANTIC COMEDY. I COULDN'T DO ANYTHING BUT CRY IN FRONT OF BACKGROUNDS FULL OF FLOWERS...


He's been reduced to a stick figure!!
What??
What?


WHAT'S THAT?
IS IT A CHARACTER THAT THE ARTIST THREW AWAY WHEN SHE DECIDED NOT TO FINISH IT?


I CAN'T STAND THE SIGHT OF IT!
HO HO HO. HOW LONG WILL YOU LAST IN A ROMANTIC COMEDY? YOU KNOW ONLY THE HANDSOME SURVIVE HERE!


YOU'RE WORSE OFF THAN THE FLY THAT'S ON THE HEEL OF MY SHOE!
YOU'D BE BETTER OFF DEAD!
YES.
The God of romantic comedy is an angry God


And the ghosts of the haunted mansion?

The little girl

The owner...

The scary girl...

They are a family that lived in the haunted inn
Dad
KIDS! I KNOW HOW WE CAN IMPROVE OUR BUSINESS!
WE CAN DO IT!
older sis
little sis
YAY!!
They decided to turn their bizarre looks to their advantage and act like ghosts.
They even installed the latest in SFX technology.

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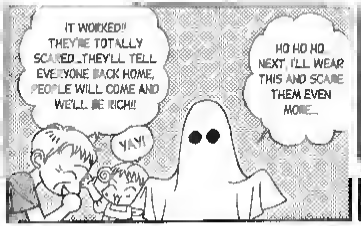
Hidden behind the curtain was a special projector that made the image
Hee hee! It cost big money!!

She successfully frightened them but


IT WORKED!! THEY'RE TOTALLY SCARED..THEY'LL TELL EVERYONE BACK HOME, PEOPLE WILL COME AND WE'LL BE RICH!!
YAY!
HO HO HO NEXT, I'LL WEAR THIS AND SCARE THEM EVEN MORE...

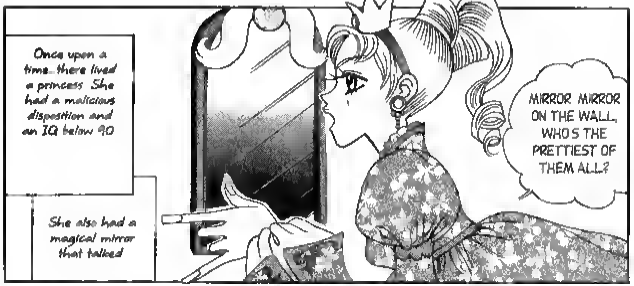
I'LL KILL YOU!!
AAAH!!!

YOU'RE DEAD, HWI-RIM!!
HAE-GI! YOU'RE REALLY GOING TO KILL HIM! STOP!!
YOU LIKE LIVING DANGEROUSLY DON'T YOU ?

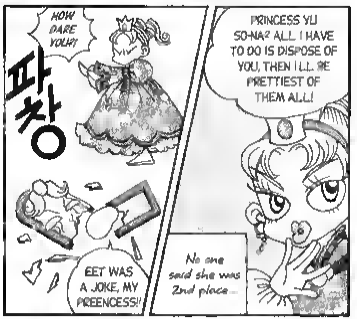
LET'S GO! I CAN'T STAND TO BE AROUND THEM FOR EVEN ONE MORE SECOND
we're scared...
You three are scarier

BUT WE NEVER FOUND OUT...ARE THERE REALLY GHOSTS HERE?
DAMN IT HA-DA, WHO CARES?
They gave it their best effort...

but their dream was destroyed
Goodbye


Once upon a time... there lived a princess. She had a malicious disposition and an IQ below 90
She also had a magical mirror that talked
MIRROR MIRROR ON THE WALL, WHO'S THE PRETTIEST OF THEM ALL?

OOH LA LA!
YU SO-NA OF ZEE NEXT COUNTRY EES THE PRETTIEST OF ZEM ALL!
WHAT DID YOU SAY?!


HOW DARE YOU?!
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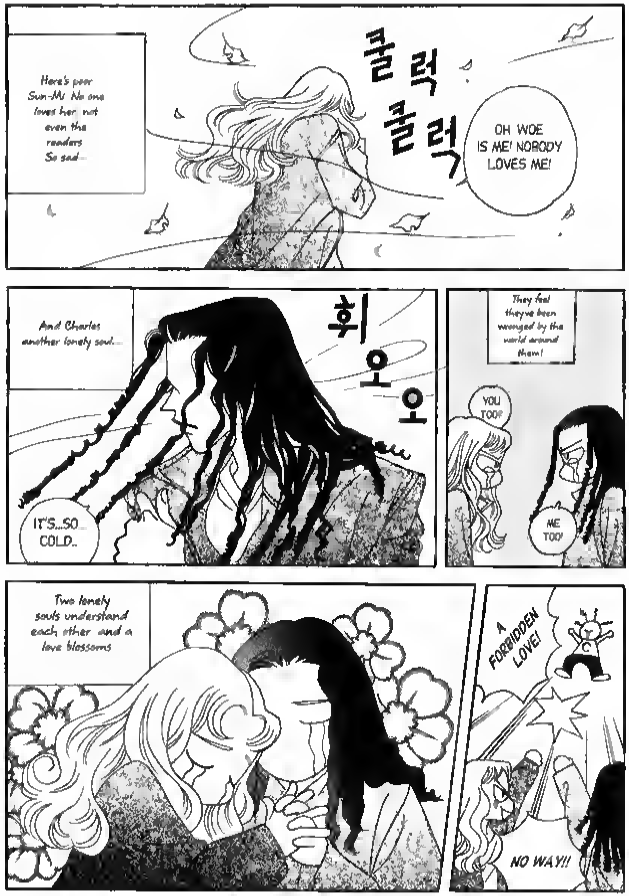
EET WAS A JOKE, MY PREENCESS!!
PRINCESS YU SO-NA? ALL I HAVE TO DO IS DISPOSE OF YOU, THEN I'LL BE PRETTIEST OF THEM ALL!
No one said she was 2nd place...

So she dresses as a witch and learns black magic!!
OH, MY DEAR! I BRING YOU THIS APPLE. IT WILL CURE YOUR HORRIBLE GAS AND DIARRHEA!
JUST ONE BITE...

HOW DARE YOU SPEAK TO ME THAT WAY?
THAT'S NOT HOW THE STORY GOES, ANYWAY
SHE'S NOT PRETTIER THAN ME!!

One lazy afternoon
So Na asks Hae Gi to go and study with her. But she can't stop sneaking looks at him...
He's asleep.
Look at these lashes, he's so gorgeous.
I wonder what he's dreaming about? Is it a fun dream? A nightmare? Or a dream about

us?
HUH? I FELL ASLEEP
I'm late! So late!!
WHAT? WHO ARE YOU? QUICK, SPEAK UP!
HUH?
AM I STILL ASLEEP?
I FEEL LIKE ALICE IN WONDERLAND
I'm busy busy busy!
HEY YOU, TELL ME WHAT HAPPENS NEXT
I don't remember!


Here's poor Sun-Mi. No one loves her, not even the readers. So sad...
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OH WOE IS ME! NOBODY LOVES ME!
And Charles, another lonely soul...
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IT'S...SO... COLD..
They feel they've been wronged by the world around them!
YOU TOO?
ME TOO!
Two lonely souls understand each other and a love blossoms
A FORBIDDEN LOVE!
NO WAY!!

HEY GUYS! I HOPE YOU ALL ENJOYED THIS! I WANTED TO PUT EVEN MORE JOKES INTO IT BUT...
THEY'LL HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL THE NEXT TIME!! HEE HEE!
THE SPECIAL VERSION WAS PRETTY COOL, HUH? I TRIED TO PUT IN SOME OF MY DIFFERENT IDEAS ABOUT SNOW DROP AND SOME OF THE FUNNY THINGS I THOUGHT OF!
I LIKED DOING A COMEDY VERSION.
SOMETIMES, THE EXTRAS IN A BOOK CAN BE THE MOST FUN, DON'T YOU THINK?
OH, SOME NEW ASSISTANTS HAVE JOINED MY STUDIO! I'D LIKE YOU TO MEET THEM.
KIDS, SAY HELLO!
called the crying soprano
HI! I'M JUNG BO-EUN, AND I'M THE REAL LEADER OF THE STUDIO HO HO HO!
called rubber gloves!
HEHHH! HEHEY I'M JANG SEO-JIN! I'M THE BLACK SHEEP OF THE FAMILY
I'M YUN JUNG-JIN! AND COMICS ARE MY ONE TRUE LOVE!
LEAVE THIS COUNTRY'S COMICS UNDER MY PROTECTION!
CREATION IS PEEKING! AND WE LONG TO BE IT!
COMICS, I WILL LOVE YOU FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE!
WHEN I THINK ABOUT IT A LOT HAS HAPPENED THIS YEAR
I got married and then my son Ji Ho was born. Those were my big events!!
I BET YOU'RE ALL WONDERING WHAT JI-HO LOOKS LIKE, HUH?
HERE HE IS
SAY HELLO JI-HO!

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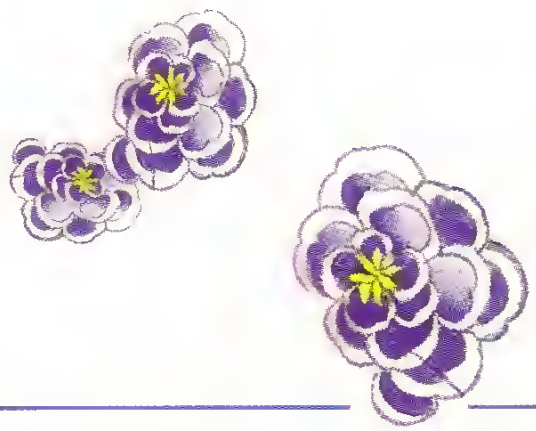

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